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# Bomb Blasts Disrupt B'Aires Rail Traffic

BUENOS AIRES (Reuter).—The din of about 100 bombs echoed on Wednesday in and around Buenos Aires — mostly on railway tracks, disrupting suburban services.

Buenos Aires, halted by a three-day strike, largely recovered its normal pulsebeat, but nearly one million industrial workers are still standing firm, ready for an all-out battle with the Government. The sole casualty reported since midnight was a wounded night watchman at the Chevrolet agency in La Plata, Buenos Aires Province.

The workers are far from united. With most of their leaders in jail they are torn between Communist tactics and the supporters of the exiled dictator, Juan Peron. The government, tightening its grip on the situation, has rushed troops from the provinces of Corrientes and Entreries to maintain peace in Greater Buenos Aires.

**Industry Halted**

Caterers, shop assistants, telephone operators and bank clerks resumed work. Newspapers were on sale for the first time since Sunday but strict radio censorship was in force. Meatpackers, metal workers, textile, glass and other industrial workers maintained the stoppage. Dockers were resuming work at noon but there will be no meat to ship.

As a petrol shortage threatened to paralyze transport, the Government drafted all the staff of private and public oil companies into the army. The big refineries at La Pita were declared a military zone and occupied by marines.

All Communist and Peronista centres throughout the country, as well as headquarters of rebel unions, have been closed down and the leaders arrested. The Communist daily, "La Hora," is banned.

In Washington, President Frondizi, now visiting the U.S., met for an hour with Secretary of State Dulles.

## Dulles: No Deal At Israel's Expense

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, has reassured Israel that American attempts to improve relations with Abdul Nasser would not be made at Israel's expense. Mr. Dulles' assurances to Israel which repeated similar statements made by other State Department officials in Washington, were given during a meeting with Ambassador Abba Eban on Monday, it was learned from reliable sources in Jerusalem.

It is understood that Mr. Eban's instructions called for expressing Israel's concern over the recent attempts at an American *rapprochement* with Nasser and its possible effects on U.S. relations with Israel. Mr. Dulles is understood to have declared that the U.S. continued to support the independence and territorial integrity of all Middle Eastern countries.

This was Mr. Eban's first meeting with the Secretary of State in three months. In addition to the question of general U.S.-Israel relations, it is learned that the question of U.S. financial assistance for the current year was also discussed at the meeting.

It is understood that similar assurances were given by the British Foreign Office to Israel Embassy officials in London.

## Deny Hitch In UK-UAR Accord

CAIRO (Reuter). — The Director of Foreign Exchange, A. Sayegh, said on Wednesday that the Anglo-Egyptian financial agreement would be signed on Friday or Saturday and would be followed by the resumption of consular and trade representation.

The agreement had been scheduled for signature on Thursday.

In London, a Treasury spokesman denied that a hitch had developed. He said both sides want "to make sure there are no mistakes" in the accord, which was initialled in Cairo last week.

The spokesman said there would have to be adequate British staff in Cairo in order to secure the advantages for British nationals who are going to derive benefit from the agreement. Asked whether this meant Britain wanted to restore diplomatic relations, the spokesman said what was necessary was that the staff should be able to assist in the implementation of the agreement.

## DeMille, 77, Dead Of Heart Attack

HOLLYWOOD (UPI). — Cecil B. DeMille, the famous film producer, died here on Wednesday after a heart attack, aged 77.

DeMille, who had been identified with motion pictures since 1913, was known especially for his lavish productions of Biblical themes, among the most noted being "The Ten Commandments," (1923 and 1956), "The Sign of the Cross," (1932), "Samson and Delilah," (1949), "The Volga Boatman." The first-named picture when filmed for the second time, mostly in the Middle East, was his 70th.

His family name was spelled De Mil when its first member arrived in the new world from Holland in 1658. His mother, Beatrice Mathilde Samuel, was born in England. DeMille was a lay reader and it was a nightly must for the DeMille boys — Cecil and his older brother William — and their father, Henry Churchill DeMille, to read aloud two chapters of the Bible.

DeMille wrote successful plays and in 1912 met Sam Goldwyn, then a glove salesman, and Jesse L. Lasky, a vaudeville producer, forming a partnership to make the first feature-length film in Hollywood in December, 1913. Always known for his tremendous energy, he turned out six pictures in 1914, and 13 the next year. The first studio in which they worked, a barn, stands now within Paramount Studios.

## Doron Murder Protest Aired in Commons

LONDON (INA). — The matter of the British protest to the U.A.R. on the murder of Mrs. Doran on Israel territory is being pushed through Switzerland, the protecting power, Minister of State John Profumo said in the Commons on Wednesday.

He made the statement in reply to a question by Mr. J.A. Biggs-Davison, who also asked what action was taken by the Mixed Armistice Commission and at the U.N. to prevent breaches of the Armistice Agreement between Israel and her Arab neighbours.

In a written reply, Mr. Profumo said that the report of the UNTSO Chief of Staff to Secretary-General Hammarskjold on December 8 had been placed in the library of the House, as were the records of the Security Council debate on December 18 on Israel and Syrian complaints.

*M. Christian Pineau,* Foreign Minister of France during the Sinai campaign, called on Prime Minister Ben-Gurion in his office in Jerusalem on Wednesday. Photo by Braun

## Pineau Friend of Israel, Calls on Nation's Leaders

Jerusalem Post Reporter

M. Christian Pineau, former French Foreign Minister, said in Jerusalem on Wednesday, "I am a friend of Israel and have wanted to visit your country for some time."

Replying to the welcome of Knesset Speaker Y. Sprinzak during a visit to the Knesset at noon, M. Pineau said that it had been some years since he had taken an interest in "Israel's unusual effort," and he was eager to study its social, cultural and economic achievements.

The distinguished statesman, who has published several books of children stories, said that on his return to France he intended to write about Israel — "which proves that I am not a writer of children's stories only. I shall tell about the kindness and friendliness with which I have been received here."

One of the chief architects of the Suez campaign, M. Pineau was welcomed on the first day of his eight-day visit by Israel's leaders.

**Sprinzak's Welcome**

In welcoming M. Pineau, Mr. Sprinzak said: "For a guest like you — a Frenchman, a friend, a socialist statesman, a former inmate of Buchenwald, the founder of the French underground newspaper "Libération," and a writer of children's stories — there are common feelings, which are even above common interests. "On your help to Israel," continued Mr. Sprinzak, "a great deal has been written here, and it is a part of our nation's contemporary history. But I wish to say that friendship is in itself an enormous help."

Present at the meeting were the Deputy Speakers, the Chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, and M.K.'s. Members of the Israel delegation to the last U.N. Assembly were also present.

Prime Minister Ben-Gurion received M. Pineau at his office in Jerusalem in the morning, and the two statesmen conferred alone for over an hour. Earlier, he was received by Foreign Minister Golda Meir. While Mrs. Meir has met M. Pineau several times during the past two years, the meeting with Mr. Ben-Gurion was the first between the two statesmen since the Sinai campaign in 1956.

**Received by President**

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi received M. and Mme. Pineau in the afternoon. They were accompanied by the French Ambassador, M. Pierre Gilbert. In the early afternoon the visitors toured the Hebrew University campus.

M. and Mme. Pineau were the dinner guests of the Foreign Minister at her residence. Present were the Prime Minister and Mrs. Ben-Gurion; the French Ambassador and Mme. P. Gilbert; the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen; the Minister of Development and Mrs. M. Bentov; the Minister of Transport and Mrs. M. Carmel; the Chief of Staff and Mrs. H. Laskov; the Mapai Secretary-General, Dr. Giora Josephthal; the Acting Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. M. Comay; and Mr. and Mrs. Marc Yarblum. Although his opposite number in the Foreign Ministry was present, the Director-General of the Defence Ministry, Mr. Shimon Peres, was not at the dinner.

M. Pineau's wife, Arlette, who is the daughter of Jean Giraudoux, was on Wednesday morning the guest of Hadassah and visited the Medical Centre now going up in Ein Karem as well as the Seligsberg Vocational School. Mme. Pineau was accompanied by Mrs. Ora Goitein and Mrs. Rahel Eliachar of the Hadassah Council in Israel. Mrs. Pineau also visited the WIZO baby home in Jerusalem.

Today (Thursday), the Pineaus will be in the Tel Aviv area.

## Jordanian Fire Wounds Israel Soldier

An Israel soldier was slightly wounded on Tuesday evening when Jordan soldiers opened fire on an Israel Army patrol near the armistice lines in the Hebron region, the Army spokesman has announced. The patrol returned the fire.

## Jordan Bid to Kidnap Villager Foiled

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HADERA. — Three armed Jordan policemen crossed the border at Kfar Barta'a, in the triangle, on Wednesday and attempted to kidnap 80-year-old Haj Muhamed Ibrahim, who was working near his house.

His son, Ahmed Ibrahim, succeeded in saving the old man with the help of a neighbour.

The Israel-Jordan border, as fixed by the Armistice Agreement, runs through the village.

## CAIRO AGAIN CLAIMS ISRAEL TROOPS MASS

Cairo Radio on Wednesday resumed allegations of Israel troop concentrations, and said that this time forces are being massed on the Syrian and Lebanese borders.

## Israel Envoy Meets Belgian Premier

BRUSSELS (INA). — The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Gideon Rafael, was received on Wednesday by Premier Gaston Eyskens.

In a lengthy discussion, the Premier expressed his appreciation and sympathy for Israel and her efforts to rehabilitate her people.

## Israel Resident Jailed as Spy

TEL AVIV. — An Israel resident was sentenced to a prison term by the District Court here for having maintained contact with an agent of a foreign country.

The man, whose name was not released for publication, was convicted under Paragraph 24 (a) of the Penal Law Amendment (State Security Law, 1957), which states that "a person who maintains contact with a foreign agent and has no reasonable explanation for doing so, will be considered as having passed on secret information without authorization to the do so."

This is the first time that a court of law here has pronounced a conviction under this law. The accused's counsel has asked for acquittal on the grounds that his client had not passed on any secret information. Furthermore, he claimed, it was up to the prosecution to prove that any information passed on had been "secret."

**Possible Dangers**

The Court, consisting of Relieving President M. Kenet and Judges J. Gavison and I. Zudelewicz, declared that "the legislator had considered the possible dangers and intended to defend the security of the State by all possible means. Para 24 (a) states that the accused may be asked to give a reasonable explanation of his contact with the foreign agent... this could be ignorance of the fact that the person was indeed a foreign agent, for instance. The legislator views with special gravity the fact of meeting with foreign agents without any reasonable explanation, since the agents may acquire secret information at such a meeting without the accused's being aware that secret information was involved."

A person might innocently give a foreign agent information which he believes is widely known, yet the Court might find that this was precisely the information required by the agent; and that the accused had thereby violated the State Security Law. The accused thus cannot judge for himself what might be "secret information" from the point of view of a foreign agent, and any information at all is equivalent to secret information in this connection.

Under paragraph 24, therefore, the Court is exempt from the obligation to examine the exact nature of the information which has been passed on, continues the judgment. "The defence, of not having passed on secret information is in itself not acceptable in the absence of a reasonable explanation of the meeting itself.

Continuing its ruling, the Court declared that even if a person finds himself by chance in the company of a foreign agent and can provide no reasonable explanation, "he will be liable in the same degree as a man who maintains contact with an enemy agent." Nor is it sufficient for the accused himself to believe he has a reasonable explanation. It is the Court which determines whether the explanation is "reasonable" or not.

## Eshkol Sees $75m. In Bond Sales

NEW YORK (INA). — The Israel Finance Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol, who came to the U.S. a fortnight ago to confer with American and Canadian leaders on plans for mobilizing greater economic aid, left on Wednesday for home.

Mr. Eshkol said he was encouraged by the decisions of the national planning conference of Israel bonds to believe that a sum close to $75m. would be raised.

## U.S. Aid for Jordan River Diversion

The U.S. will continue to finance the Jordan project for the diversion of the Yarmuk River despite objections voiced by the Israel press, the Arab News Agency reported on Wednesday, quoting the Director of the U.S. Operations Mission in Amman.

## London Denies Cyprus Military Operations Off

LONDON (Reuter). — Informed circles here said on Wednesday night that reports claiming military operations in Cyprus have been called off on instructions from London are without foundation.

The sources said the reports might have arisen from the fact that recent large-scale local patrolling operations and training exercises in north-west Troodos were concluded successfully on Tuesday.

They added that the Cyprus government would continue to take active measures to contain and reduce the threat of a renewal of violence.

In Nicosia, Governor Sir Hugh Foot said that, if peace continued in the island, he hoped it would be possible to begin re-employing a limited number of the 4,000 Greek Cypriots dismissed from R.A.F. and Naafi establishments on security measures last November.

The Governor made this statement after seeing a delegation of Cypriot trade unionists who had asked for the former employees' reinstatement.

The Governor told the delegation it was not possible to lift the employment ban at once owing to EOKA threats in leaflets recently.

The trade unions were said to have reminded the Governor the sacked Cypriots had been told they would be able to work again when violence ended. There had been absolute peace for five weeks, the delegation said.

A number of Cypriot political prisoners were released from several detention camps in Cyprus on Wednesday.

## Algerian Insurgents Stop Water Supply

ALGIERS (Reuter). — Water was distributed on Wednesday to the 120,000 inhabitants of Constantine, eastern Algeria, by mobile tankers after insurgents on Tuesday had blown up the water main supplying the city.

In Tunis, the F.L.N. said in a communique that its activities had increased in Algeria.

# US as Reasonable as Russia, But Won't Be 'Pushed Around'—Ike

## Macmillan Urges Coexistence

LONDON. — Prime Minister Macmillan said on Wednesday he believed that if West and East could get back at least to what was called peaceful coexistence, it might be the basis for greater understanding.

Addressing members of the Foreign Press Association at a luncheon in London he said, "we should not be too pessimistic about the prospect of success. One must be, in the broad sense, an optimist and have some sense of perspective. As the river of victory flows on throughout the years, I do not see why we should not develop on each side towards greater understanding of each other."

He hoped and believed Communist countries would themselves develop "into what we would call a freer system — one easier for us to understand and live with. Meanwhile, we must not fear comparison between our ways of life. In economic prowess, commercial effort, in assistance to the less developed countries, in the shape of our society, in our way of life, we must be ready to meet the challenge.

"In the long run, I firmly believe the world will only survive and prevail because our way of life gives fullest security freedom and hope to every individual."

Mr. Macmillan said that looking beyond Europe to the Middle East, Asia and Africa, great areas are found in which living standards were still very low. In the so-called under-developed areas there was a great demand for improvement in living standards. In this situation, which presented a great challenge to enterprise and ingenuity, Britain intended to play her part with others in helping wherever their help was required.

"In the Middle East our endeavour is to develop practical relationships with all countries of the area based on mutual respect and mutual economic advantages," he said.

*(Reuter)*

## *Thinks USSR Also Want Peace*

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Eisenhower, at his news conference on Wednesday, said he hoped Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan would take this clear impression back to the Kremlin from his U.S. visit:

America wants peace, is ready to conciliate, is willing to match reasonableness with reasonableness but will not be "pushed around."

Mr. Eisenhower said that through the visits of Americans to Russia he had continually received the impression that the Russian people also want peace just as earnestly as do the Americans. That, he said, is the great hope of mankind today.

The President said neither Mr. Mikoyan nor the U.S. Government made new proposals or attempted to negotiate on the future of Berlin and German unification during the Soviet statesman's talks in Washington. He described Mr. Mikoyan as extremely clever, quick and consistent in his arguments.

**No Hint of Concessions**

Mr. Eisenhower indicated that Mr. Mikoyan offered no hint of willingness to make any concessions to ease the Berlin situation. The President said Mr Mikoyan claimed that every Soviet proposal was aimed at securing peace and therefore Western refusal to accept any of the suggestions were anti-peace. The contention that Russia was invariably making proposals on the side of peace and the West was always obstructionist was obviously unrealistic, Mr. Eisenhower declared.

He had told the Soviet Deputy Premier, Mr. Eisenhower said, that the U.S. was willing to do everything reasonable to secure a just and lasting peace.

In an attempt to assess Mr. Mikoyan's motives for coming to the U.S., Mr. Eisenhower said he guessed that a big objective was to get a clear picture of whether there is disunity in America on basic foreign policy.

**Sought Disunity**

Mr. Mikoyan may have come with the false idea that there has been a popular repudiation of the policy pursued by the Truman and Eisenhower administrations, the President speculated. He added that he had been assured by a prominent Democratic Senator that Mr. Mikoyan could not have failed to discover that on basic foreign policy Americans of all parties are together.

The President was asked whether he thought a visit by Vice-President Nixon to Russia might be a good move for further improving understanding by both sides in the cold war. He replied that visits are good, and cited the useful information brought back from Russia by private American visitors — educators and businessmen.

## Mikoyan Moscow-Bound After Plane Mishap over Atlantic

ARGENTIA, Newfoundland. — Mr. Anastas Mikoyan continued his flight homeward on Wednesday after spending the night at this top secret U.S. naval base, where the airliner bearing him was forced to land Tuesday night after developing engine trouble.

The Soviet Deputy Premier was sidetracked when one of the four engines of the S.A.S. airliner taking him from New York to Copenhagen caught fire and a second had to be shut off because of a defective supercharger.

The DC-7C, carrying 35 passengers including Mr. Mikoyan, his son and four other members of his party, ran into trouble over the Atlantic about 180 miles south-east of Halifax. It was only three hours out of New York on its non-stop flight to Copenhagen.

The plane was convoyed to the naval base by a Royal Canadian Air Force patrol bomber, a Pan-American World Airways plane and an Air-France Super-Constellation, which responded to its distress signals.

**Sabotage Discounted**

An S.A.S. spokesman said there was no indication of sabotage.

No one was injured and a Navy spokesman said, "All were very calm and well organized and didn't appear to have suffered any untoward effects." He said Mr. Mikoyan and the other members of his party were billeted in Bachelor Officers' quarters for the night. The Deputy Premier, however, watched a bowling tournament and did not retire until midnight.

Mr. Mikoyan told reporters he was unconcerned about his own safety when he learned of the engine trouble. "But I did think of the safety of the other passengers, and in particular about the children."

He added "As far as I am concerned, I have had a full life and would have accepted whatever the consequences that might have befallen me." He is 63.

Immediately after landing, strict security regulations were clamped on the naval installation, described as the Navy's main early-warning aircraft station in the North Atlantic designed to pre-warn of any possible enemy sneak attack on the U.S.

Heavily armed guards were placed around the area where the Soviet officials were billeted. The base is about 1,100 air miles from Montreal.

Mr. Mikoyan and the other passengers, boarded another S.A.S. plane, sent from Copenhagen to pick them up. He is due in the Danish capital early Thursday morning (today). A special Soviet airliner will be waiting for the Deputy Premier to take him on to Moscow.

*(Reuter, UPI, AFP)*

### Ike: No Suggestion Of Inviting Nasser

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Eisenhower told his press conference on Wednesday that he has not heard of a suggestion that President Tito of Yugoslavia or President Abdul Nasser of the United Arab Republic be invited to the U.S.

This was his answer to a question on whether such visits might be expected in view of his belief that some good had come of Mr. Mikoyan's visit.

## Eisenhower Against 2-Term Restriction

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — President Eisenhower said at his press conference that he would like to see the repeal of the constitutional amendment which prevents a President serving more than two full consecutive terms.

The President added, however, that he is not participating in a move that has already been started in the present Congress to repeal the amendment.

## Malinki Pins Blame on Shadmi In 5-Hour Cross-Examination

By PAUL KOHN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL HASHOMER. — "I interpreted Aluf-Mishne Shadmi's orders to mean that anyone leaving his house or breaking the curfew should be shot," Rav-Seren Shmuel Malinki, who appeared as prosecution witness, told a military court here on Tuesday during the trial of A/M Issachar Shadmi, charged with the murder of 25 men of Kfar Kassim on October 19, 1956 and with issuing illegal orders for a curfew in the village.

Malinki who was sentenced to 17 year's imprisonment and was broken in rank at the Kafr Kassim trial that ended in Jerusalem last year, appeared in the witness stand in border police uniform wearing his insigna, to which he is entitled until his appeal is heard. He was subjected to five hours of relentless cross-examination by defence counsel Ya'acov Salomon, on Wednesday and will take the stand again on Thursday.

**Interprets Orders**

The witness said he understood the orders as an attempt to make sure that the villagers remained in their houses so as not to interfere with security forces in the area.

"I told my officers in general terms about the curfew, asking them not to murder and to respect the honour of the force. I was entitled to expect that my men would be humane and not kill women and children," Malinki told the court.

Recalling the accused's orders as given to him prior to the curfew, the witness said Shadmi had told him that persons leaving houses should be shot, adding that "it was better that a few go in the process on the first night, so that they learn to keep the curfew." Malinki said that he had asked his superior what was to be done about the villagers who did not know of the curfew. To this Shadmi replied that the curfew was to be carried out "without feelings, without arrests, and may 'Allah have mercy on their soul."

**Orders from Above**

Opening the proceedings, the prosecutor, Sgan-Aluf Moshe David told the packed courtroom that the accused had received orders from the O.C. Central Command, Aluf Zvi Zur, to maintain quiet along the front under his command and to allow the residents to continue their normal life. A/M Shadmi decided on a night curfew; and received authority to carry it out from Aluf Zur. The accused ordered Malinki to enforce the curfew.

At the prosecutor's prompting, Malinki went on to tell of the meeting with the accused at 1 p.m. on October 29 at which Shadmi told him to enforce a curfew from 5 p.m. till 6 a.m. in several villages in the area.

Shooting of curfew breakers began shortly after 5 p.m., Malinki went on. When the Military Governor of the area arrived at 7.15 p.m. and asked if the curfew had already started, Malinki answered: "The curfew began long ago, and there are already 15 dead."

To this the Military Governor replied that Shadmi, who was Brigade Commander, had told him that the curfew was to begin at 7 or 8 o'clock. He appeared shocked at the severe nature of the curfew as he was under the impression that much milder orders had been issued.

Later that night, at a meeting of officers with Aluf Zur, Shadmi had told Aluf Zur, "I did not think it would be like this," the witness said. Aluf Zur rebuked Shadmi for acting against his instructions and without prior consultations.

**Argue over Precedence**

At this point an argument broke out between defence counsel and the witness over the precedence of the instructions Malinki received from Shadmi. Malinki said that his battalion was ordered first and foremost to enforce the curfew then to assure regular railway traffic in the rear, and to fight *fedayeen*. Mr. Salomon held that the orders were to assure rail safety, to fight *fedayeen* and enforce curfew, in that order.

Mr. Salomon asked the witness if he took the expressions "May Allah have mercy on them" and "Without feeling" as an order to murder?

"I understood that the sanctions against curfew breakers would on this occasion not be arrests but shootings," Malinki replied.

He said he had summarized Shadmi's orders in his notebook by writing: "an aggressive policy."

Defence Counsel: Did the Brigade Commander mention the word "aggressive" to you?

Malinki: No. It was my interpretation.

Mr. Salomon then endeavoured to show the different attitudes of different officers to Shadmi's orders. An Afmy battalion commander present when Shadmi issued the order asked him how he would be able to differentiate between *fedayeen* and civilian curfew breakers. To this Shadmi answered: "You have nothing to worry about. There will be no civilians about as the Border Police will enforce a strict curfew."

The prosecutor said he would call 14 witnesses, including Segen Dehan, sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment for his part in the massacre. The trial will continue today (Thursday).

## First Court Of Human Rights Chosen

STRASBOURG (Reuter). — A Court of Human Rights, the first of its kind in the world where an individual can bring a law case against a state, was set up here on Wednesday with the election to it of 15 leading European judges.

The 15 judges elected by the Council of Europe's Consultative Assembly in secret ballot, included Dr. Kemal Rain of Turkey, Dr. Giorgio Balladore Pallieri of Italy, Dr. Rene Cassin of France, Dr. George Maridahis of Greece and Dr. Hermann Mosler of West Germany.

The Commission on Human Rights has had about 450 petitions submitted to it so far. Most of them have been declared inadmissible for technical reasons but the Commission is discussing certain Greek allegations of cruelty by British troops in Cyprus. The Commission will submit complaints before it to the court if a case is made out.

## Civil Rights Bill Before U.S. Congress

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Democratic Congressmen on Tuesday introduced a civil rights bill which among other things would compel local officials to appear before Federal tribunals investigating alleged denial of Negro voting rights.

The civil rights issue has always been the main cause of a long-standing split between northern and southern Democrats. The bill would create a new Government agency to "keep open the channels of communication" between the warring factions.

The bill would also grant the Attorney-General the power to issue subpoena in investigations of Negro voting rights and make it a Federal offence for anyone to transport explosives across state borders. The latter is evidently intended to halt recurrence of recent "hate bombings," of synagogues and schools.

## U.S. Congressmen, Press in Havana

HAVANA. — Forty-six press representatives and a U.S. Congressman arrived here by plane from New York early on Wednesday to see at first hand what is taking place in the wake of the overthrow of the regime of former President Batista.

Accompanying the newsmen is Rep. Charles Porter (Dem., Oregon), a vigorous advocate of U.S. cooperation with the new Castro regime.

Another Congressman, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (Dem., New York), was already on hand when the group arrived.

On Tuesday night Mr. Manuel Urrutia, Provisional President of Cuba, invited a U.N. envoy to see at first hand procedures followed by the Castro regime in the trials of former Batista followers. The envoy Dr. Enrique Roderiguez Fabregat, permanent representative of Uruguay, said in New York that he was considering the offer. *(UPI, Reuter)*

## *Israel Seating Plan For French Assembly*

PARIS (AFP). — Seating arrangements in the forthcoming session of the National Assembly are likely to be modelled after those in the Israel Knesset.

The arrangements are to be decided upon next week, and the Union for a New Republic (de Gaullists) with over 200 seats is understood to be favouring the Israel system under which seating is according to the numerical representation of the parties.

### WHY IS TIME SO SHORT ?

Because we do not know what the morrow will bring. The latest immigration wave from Eastern Europe has come quite suddenly: at first, only a few hundred trickled through, but soon the tide began to swell, and thousands are now pouring in. We have no idea how long the tide will continue — just as we were unprepared for its coming at all. Meanwhile, however, the facts stare us in the face: new olim have come, and must be provided for immediately. That is why the Immigration Loan is so urgent. That is why you are urged to contact your local trade union or one of the banks without delay — and arrange for your participation in this vital popular savings scheme.

## AFTER MIDNIGHT

"I shall return to Poland at the end of my visit to Israel," the 35-year-old Polish writer, Marek Hlasko, said on his arrival here late Wednesday night by Swissair. Hlasko sought political asylum in West Berlin last October and made his flight to Israel on a West German passport.

## Tel Aviv Girl Married to Millionaire

A pamphlet of the Government Tourist Office "Israel, Land of the Sun" — brought a Tel Aviv girl her future husband, an American millionaire.

"Israel, Land of the Sun," is a most appropriate slogan for attracting tourists. — for our short winter hardly ever has a day without sunshine.

Why should you, therefore, forgo in the Israel "winter" the pleasure of enjoying home-made ice-cream from "Osem," "Vita," "Telma," rich in protein and other high grade food ingredients ?

All the year round — in any weather — serve delicious ice cream for dessert.

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David Kochav
Director of Research, Bank of Israel on
*The Outlook for Israel's Economy*
Tonight at 8.30 p.m.
Beeri Club, 9 Rehov Alharizi, Rehavia.

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## Social & Personal

President Ben-Zvi on Wednesday received the Minister-Designate to Hungary, Mr. Y. Yaron, and the Minister-Designate to Rumania, Mr. S. Bendor.

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The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mrs. G. Meir, on Wednesday received Lord Boyd Orr and Mr. Federspiel in separate interviews. The Governor of the Bank of Israel, Mr. D. Horowitz, on Wednesday received the Chairman of the Economic Committee of the Council of Europe, Mr. Peer Federspiel. Mr. Federspiel also visited the Hebrew University campus.

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The Mayor of Tel Aviv and Mrs. Haim Levanon were hosts at dinner to Mr. Robert Graves at the Ramat Aviv Hotel on Wednesday night. Among those present were the British Ambassador and Lady Rundall, and representatives of the Foreign Ministry.

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The following officers were elected to the Bnei Brith Council in the Tel Aviv Region at the last regional convention: Dr. Ya'acov Rabin — Chairman; Dr. Ephraim Ilan — Secretary; Mr. Moshe Medina — Treasurer; Mr. Moshe Bitan; Mrs. Sarah Hillel; Mr. Yehuda Kopf; and Mr. Benyamin Rappaport — Council members.

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Mr. John Cheney, Director of the Israel Institute of Industrial Design, will lecture at 8.30 tonight on "The Development of Industrial Design in Israel and Abroad" at the Bezalel National Museum. This lecture is given in memory of Yehuda Elath, pioneer of design in Israel, on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of his death.

## Eilat Killer Sent To Mental Home

The knife murderer of a 12-year-old girl in Eilat in October 1957 was on Wednesday committed to a home for the criminally insane by the Jerusalem District Court. The Court ruled that the killer, Yitshak Mashiah, 27, was insane at the time of the crime.

Mashiah killed the girl, Penina Zaken, in an outhouse of the Eilat ma'bara and wounded the girl's 12-year-old cousin, Simha Sisu.

A short while before the tragedy, the accused's roommate had thwarted a drunken attempt at suicide. Mashiah, overcome by drink and exhaustion, fell on his bed and slept heavily. From that point on he had no recollection of what happened.

According to a doctor's testimony, there was a very large amount of alcohol in his blood at the time.

The Court noted that there was no doubt the accused was guilty of the crimes. But the Director of the Be'er Ya'acov Mental Home had given his opinion that Mashiah had been deranged temporarily. This spasm of insanity had a background of neuroses and alcoholism and hospitalization was needed.

The Court was composed of the President, Dr. B. Halevi, and Judges M. Gaulan and Y. Cohen. *(Itim)*

## MDA Car Winners Donate to Cause

TEL AVIV. — Prizes won in the 1958 Magen David Adom lottery were awarded on Wednesday by Dr. S. Lipschitz, Chairman of the M.D.A. Council.

Some 360 prizes were allotted for the 311,000 tickets sold, it was announced.

The Ford Prefect was won by Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Fuchs, an elderly couple from Hadera. They donated IL350 to the first aid organization as a thanks-offering.

The Vauxhall was won by Mrs. A.A. Baba, a worker in the Aled knitting mill in Bnei Brak. She and her husband announced that they were selling the car to buy a home. They donated IL500 to M.D.A.

A recently discharged soldier, Yosef Doron, won the Amcor refrigerator which he claimed was "just the job" as he had just got married.

## LAWSON DUE BACK NEXT WEEK

TEL AVIV. — The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Edward B. Lawson, will return here with Mrs. Lawson on January 27, it was learned from the U.S. Embassy on Wednesday.

The Ambassador left Israel for the U.S. on October 27 to accompany his wife, who had fallen ill.

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## LAW REPORT

*The Jerusalem Post* *January 22, 1959*

In the Supreme Court Sitting as High Court Of Justice

*Before the Deputy President (Justice Cheshin), Justices Silberg and Witkon*

Eliahu Mizrahi, v. Director of Tel Aviv District Food Office (H.C. 158/58).

### Authority Which Grants Food Licence May Cancel It

The High Court discharged an order nisi calling on the Director of the Tel Aviv District Food Office to show cause why he should not rescind the notice cancelling the petitioner's licence to operate a pitta bakery.

In accordance with a food control order the minimum weight for pitta was fixed at 100 grams. The petitioner, Eliahu Mizrahi, who owns a pitta bakery, maintained that this order is unrealistic as the only use to which the smallest type of pitta is put is as an envelope for felaffel, and the felaffel sellers refuse to buy pittot of more than 50 grams, arguing that a larger pitta is out of proportion to the number of felaffel usually inserted. They therefore saw no justification for paying extra for a larger pitta, part of which in any case goes to waste. In consequence Mr. Mizrahi baked and sold pittot of 50 grams, instead of the minimum 100 grams.

The Food Controller reacted to this by cancelling Mr. Mizrahi's licence to make pitta. He thereupon petitioned the High Court for an order nisi, which was granted him.

Mr. Ben-Yishai appeared for the petitioner and Mr. F. Landau, Deputy Attorney, for the respondent.

### Judgment

Justice Witkon, who delivered the main judgment of the High Court, Justice Cheshin concurring, said that the High Court, in granting the order nisi, had decided to consider only one argument proffered by the petitioner: that there is nothing in the law which confers on the respondent the power to cancel a licence before it has expired.

The petitioner had argued, Justice Witkon said, that the food control order controlling the size of pittot had been based on the Food Control Ordinance of 1942, which empowers the competent authority to withdraw any licence or permit; but this Ordinance had been abrogated by the Control of Commodities and Services Law, 1958, and this latter law contains no provision enabling the competent authority to withdraw a licence.

Mr. Landau had argued, on the other hand, Justice Witkon continued, that, in accordance with section 16(1) of the Interpretation Ordinance, the same authority which makes a regulation may, unless the contrary intention appears, amend, vary, rescind or revoke the regulation, and as "regulation" is defined in the same Ordinance as being, amongst other things "orders, directions, notifications, notices or other instruments," this definition would include a licence.

In considering the arguments of opposing Counsel, Justice Witkon held that the term "instrument" is sufficiently wide and general as to allow the inclusion of licence without any difficulty whatsoever. Nor, he continued, could it be argued that all the other matters referred to in the definition of "regulation" are legislative acts aimed at the general public and not at any individual, for a purely individual matter may be regulated by administrative process by means of an order or notice. And, in any case, even if the other matters referred to in the definition were of a general legislative nature, even then the words "other instrument" should not be construed as being ejusdem generis, for section 3 of the Interpretation Ordinance expressly provides against the application of the ejusdem generis rule.

As to the petitioner's alternative argument — that section 16(1) of the Interpretation Ordinance is not applicable as a contrary intention appears in the law enacted in 1958, in the provision laying down that, in certain circumstances, the courts may cancel a licence — Justice Witkon held that the purpose of this provision is to add to and not to derogate from the powers given to the competent authority by section 16.

In short, Justice Witkon held, he had not been persuaded that the petitioner's licence had been unlawfully withdrawn and he could only hope that the respondent would be prepared to reconsider his decision if the petitioner should promise scrupulously to honour the letter of the food control order in the future.

### Justice Silberg

Justice Silberg, in agreeing that the order nisi should be discharged, said that the only question before the court was which authority was competent to cancel the petitioner's licence, and in the absence of any provision in the law, Section 16 of the Interpretation Ordinance could most certainly fill the gap. In coming to this conclusion, he continued, he in no way repudiated the idea which he had fostered in H.C. 2/58 (P.D. 12/1943, Paragraph 15.)

Order nisi discharged with IL100 costs.

Judgment given on January 8, 1959.

### IT'S THE LAW

*THE owner of an incubator with a capacity of less than 3,000 eggs is not obliged to keep accounts for income tax purposes.* (Commissioner of Income Tax Orders of 1958).

## LYDDA FLIGHTS

**ARRIVALS:** El Al 102 from Johannesburg, Leopoldville and Kano at 0930. Air France 139 from Teheran at 1550. El Al 408 from Istanbul at 1630. El Al 206 from New York, London and Athens at 1910. Cyprus Airways 24 from London, Zurich, Athens and Nicosia at 2250. El Al 414 from London, Paris and Zurich at 2255. El Al 416 from Amsterdam, Cologne and Rome at 2355. Olympic Airways 800 from London, Paris, Rome and Athens at 2355.

**DEPARTURES:** Swissair 331 to Athens and Zurich at 0800. BEA 127 to Athens, Rome and London at 0815. Cyprus Airways 23 to Nicosia, Ankara, Istanbul, Rome, Nice and London at 0830. El Al 407 to Istanbul at 0900. TWA 801 to Athens, Rome, Geneva, Paris and New York at 1015. Sabena 538 to Athens, Vienna and Brussels at 1030. KLM 528 to Rome and Amsterdam at 1215. El Al 207 to Rome, Paris and New York at 1500. Air France 139 to Rome and Paris at 1640.

## Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli:** — Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

**JERUSALEM**

• **Zoo:** — Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8-4.

• **Theatre:** — Cameri; "Rape of the Belt," 7, 9.30.

• **Exhibitions:** — Permanent exhibition of antiquities. Special Exhibition. New excavations at Kabri, Roglit, Kfar Truman and Ruhama. Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1; 3-5.

Permanent exhibition of Jewish ceremonial art. Expressionism. Archaeological pieces. Samples of primitive sculpture. Bezalel Museum, 9-1; 3.30-6.

Hedva Lifshitz-Tessler: gouaches, watercolours and drawings. Gouaches by Ferro Bat Yosef. Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Ave. 10-1; 3-6.

• **Jerusalem:** — 1. "A Century of Jerusalem Expansion" — Mr. I.A. Abbady. 2. "Jerusalem Views" — Photographs by Dr. A. Wildikan. Association of University Women. Beit Shalom, Talbieh. 8.15.

• **Film Shows:** — Israel Films daily, 11.30 a.m. Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Tours:** — Hebrew University conducted tour in English, daily at 12 noon, New University Campus.

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**TEL AVIV**

• **Zoological Gardens:** — Open between 8 a.m.—5 p.m.

• **Exhibitions:** — Ya'acov Agam, "Paintings in Movement — Transformable Paintings." Tel Aviv Museum, 10-4.

Modern Art in Israel. Artists' Gallery. Beit Hamlin, 26 Rehov Weizmann, 10-1; 4-7.

Paintings by Sarah Glicksman-Faitlowicz. Artists' Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 10-1; 4-7.

• **Z.O.A. House:** — Deborah Bertonoff in her Third Dance Recital, 8.30. Tourist Service, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

• **Tourist Service:** — Visit Hadassah Club, 20 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 22239. Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 26825. 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

**HAIFA**

• **Tourist Service:** — Hadassah Club, Youth Aliyah Offices, 22 Rehov Hehalutz, Tel. 67968.

• **Exhibitions:** — Consumer Goods Exhibition: Plastic Products. Industrial Design Exhibition Centre, Beit Hakranot, Haifa, 10-1; 4-7.

• **Entertainment:** — Dzigan & Szumacher: "Zeh vi du gehst." May Cinema, 9.

• **Lecture:** — Golden Age Club: Paula Arnold on: "A New Heaven and a New Earth." Following this lecture, on the occasion of Tu Bishvat: coloured slides series by David Passen: "Flowers of the Carmel." Bnei Brith Home, Central Carmel, 2 Wedgwood Ave., 4.30 p.m. Guests welcome.

**RAMATAYIM**

• **Theatre:** — Ohel, "The Respectful Prostitute," 8.30.

## Start the Day With a Song

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Elementary schools are to be asked to precede each day's lessons by community singing and so "create a good spirit as an overture to the day's study."

In a circular to the schools, the Ministry of Education recommends that, where possible, the singing be performed by the whole school in concert: "The morning singing will last about five minutes before the first lesson. For the sake of variety, instrumental music can be played also," it states.

The lower grades should sing songs connected with their lessons or seasonal ditties while for the older children, from grade 4 upwards, a repertoire will be suggested by the Ministry's Supervisor of Music Studies.

State Religious schools will hold the sing-song at the time of morning prayers. The Psalm of the Day, ("as the Levites used to sing in the Temple,") and the Song of the Sea are suggested as examples.

The Ministry has also asked teachers of grade 5 and above to devote February 12, the 150th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, to talks on the "great American Liberator." The two top grades in secondary schools are recommended to take up Lincoln's First Inaugural Address and the Gettysburg Address.

## Higher Depreciation Allowance for Buildings

The Government is soon to introduce in the Knesset a bill to increase the depreciation allowance for industrial and farm buildings and houses.

A few months ago a law was adopted increasing the depreciation allowance on industrial and agricultural equipment, but not buildings.

The new proposal would double the present allowance for buildings built between 1950 and 1952, treble that for those built between 1942 and 1949 and multiply by five the allowance for older buildings.

This scale, which is expected to cost the Treasury IL1.5m. in tax revenues, will be effective, according to the draft proposal, from April 1, 1958.

## Technion Teachers

HAIFA. — Dr. A. Kogan, Senior Lecturer in Aeronautical Engineering at the Technion in Haifa has been promoted Associate Professor.

Five immigrants from Eastern Europe who joined the Technion staff during the past year have been given the following appointments: Mr. S. Malinovsky and Mr. A. Vinocur, both of the Faculty of Civil Engineering, Associate Professor; Mr. J. Preminger and Dr. M. Orlitzky, of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, and Mr. M. Levy, of the Division of Mechanics — Senior Lecturers.

TANKER. — A 60,000-ton oil tanker for service between Baku and Leningrad over the inland waterway system is to be built at Stalingrad, the Soviet news agency, Tass has reported.

## ON THE AIR

**FIRST PROGRAMME**
**382, 269, 28.3 & 41.7 M.**

**News: Hebrew:** 6.35, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m. 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.

**English:** 2.00 p.m. **French** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Prokofiev: Overture on Hebrew Themes, op. 34; Lalo: "Namouna," Ballet Suite No. 2; Smetana: "Tabor" from "My Fatherland"; Lully: Suite; Mozart: Overture "Figaro's Marriage". 12.00 Sephardic Tunes. 12.20 Lunchtime Music. 12.45 Housewife's Request Programme. 1.45 Where to Go? 1.50 Light Music. 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Foreign Language Programme. 5.05 Popular Songs and Melodies. 5.25 Suite for Flute and Piano by Jean Berger played by Amnon Shiloah and Alexandra Melamed. 5.45 Children's Corner. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Sports. 6.40 Talmud Lesson. 7.20 Ron Ami. 7.35 "At the Knesset." 8.05 Noah's Ark. 8.50 Bible Reading: Yirmiyahu chap. 5 & 6. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 Programme by Peter Frye & J. Targuin. 10.05 Light Music played by the London Symphony Orchestra. 10.30 Songs and Dances at your Request. 11.10 Close Down.

**SECOND PROGRAMME**
**422, 488, 202.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.**

**IMMIGRANTS' HOUR:** 2.00 National sum-up of the Youth Biblical Quiz. 6.00 Concert by the Ramat Gan Orchestra, conducted by G. Bertini. 6.30 Musical Bag.

7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Mograbit. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Rumanian. 9.15 Hungarian. 9.30 Polish. 9.45 News in English. 10.00 Close Down.

**ARABIC PROGRAMME**
**497 & 41.07 M.**

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30—7.15 a.m. 1.15—2.15 and 5.30—11.15 p.m. Persian 5.15 p.m.

**KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.):** Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News. 6.37 "Thursday Column" — Walter Eytan. 6.45 Newsreel. 6.52 Afrikaans Programme.

**Programme to the U.K.:** 10.15 News. 10.22 "Thursday Column" — Walter Eytan. 10.30 The Annual Meeting of the British Settlers' Association (Part II). 10.40 The Week's Portion.

**ARMY PROGRAMME** (48.4, 216, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.33 Songs. 7.00 News. 7.15 "Bow & Arrow." 7.45 "Worth Listening To." 8.05 Noah's Ark. 8.50 This Week's "Bamahane." 9.00 News. 9.15 "Pleasant Tunes." 9.30 Excerpts from Operas. 10.15 Evening Tunes. 10.30 Close Down.

**B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS** (19.66, 16.88, 13.92 & 13.82): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. Week's Feature.

**MUSIC U.S.A.** (19 & 25 M.): Voice of America: 9.00-11.00 p.m. Light music & jazz.

**CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme** (434 & 495 M.): 7.25 a.m. News. 12.30 B.B.C. Bandstand. 1.30 p.m. News. 4.30 Journey into Space. 7.00 News & Commentary. 7.15 Bohemian Dances by Smetana. 10.00 "From A to Z." 10.45 Eileen Farrell Sings. 11.00 News.

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**HAIFA:** Balfour, 1 Massada, 2289. **MIFRAZ:** Zvulon.

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## Inflation Blamed for IL8m. Rise in Tel Aviv Budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — This city's budget for 1959/60 is based on a revenue of IL64.5m. from rates, payments for local services, loans, and income from the sale of land and other development activities. Of the total, IL50m. will appear in the regular budget.

For the current year, the figures were IL45,725,000 and IL11m. from special sources, such as loans (nearly IL8m.) sales of property (IL650,000) and credits from contractors (nearly IL2m.).

The increase of nearly IL8m. in the total budget does not mean a similar increase in real income, or proportionally higher benefit to the citizen. It will be partly accounted for by the effects of a slow inflation, with similar services absorbing larger funds. A sum of IL1,750,000 is to be set aside for salary increases, and building costs are also expected to rise.

General administration cost IL4,144,000 in the current year while next year it will cost almost IL850,000 more. Expenditure on local services this year totalled IL18.2m. with a IL2m. increase next year. Government participation in the regular budget rises by IL400,000, but the sum to be diverted from regular funds to the Development Budget is being cut from IL3,315,000 to IL2,400,000.

### More Schools

The sum allotted to Education and Culture in the Regular Budget has risen by about half a million pounds to IL8,070,000, but the Education Department has not yet worked out a detailed plan. The Development Budget allocation for Education has risen from IL2m. to IL3m., allowing for further school building. The Alliance secondary school near Ramat Aviv has yet to be completed, and one of the important tasks of this department is to reduce the number of elementary school children who have to study in the afternoon shift.

This year, 220 classes—comprising 15.2 per cent of all pupils — are still being held in the afternoons.

The general culture funds will be spent on public libraries, Hebrew classes, the zoo (with an increase in its allocation from IL123,000 to IL148,000) and the Ha'aretz Museum, which is to receive IL112,500.

Funds for religious purposes are increased by IL12,000. Of the total, IL300,000 will go on the construction of ritual baths while the synagogues building fund is doubled to reach IL 200,000.

The Tel Aviv Pavilion on the Jubilee Exhibition Grounds is granted IL150,000.

The Municipal Hospital being built in the Kirya gets IL1,400,000 for construction and equipment, in addition to last year's allocation of IL2,174,000. No one, however, dares to forecast the date of its completion. Scheduled dates have long passed. There is little change in the Regular Budget for Health Services, totalling IL5,655,000.

### Water Meters

The Water Department will be faced with the task of installing water meters, and further investments will be required for extending the water network. Its Development Budget rises from IL1,725,000 to IL2,100,000; the regular outlay for the Department totals IL385,000.

While the Municipality has resolved to come down more severely on rate payers in arrears and to catch up on the millions still owing to the city coffers, it will also have to repay IL1,125,000 more to its creditors than last year. Repayment on loans (including contractors' credits) will total IL7,275,000 in the coming year.

While no rise in rates is recorded in the budget proposals—perhaps because this is election year — householders will in fact pay more than in the current year. This is because the rise in the general Arnona levy, which the Council voted a year ago, was authorized by the Minister of Interior only as from last October.

Rate-payers thus paid only half the increase this year, but they will pay the full amount from April. On an average, the Arnona levy will be 17.5 per cent above that of 1957/58.

FLIGHT. — The West German news agency, D.P.A., has reported that the deputy chief of the military counter-espionage department of the East German state security service has fled to West Germany. The agency quoted informed sources in Bonn as saying he fled some time ago, but this was kept secret.

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## Safad Seeks Work For Newcomers

SAFAD. — A IL10m. investment for the speedy industrialisation of this town in order to create stable employment for immigrants already here and for the 500 to 600 families expected during 1959, was urged by representatives of the Municipal and Labour Councils at a press conference on Tuesday.

Acting Mayor Y. Geiger praised the Government's help in the absorption of immigrants in Safad, but pointed out that much more would have to be done to cope with the situation. During the past two months, he said, 120 immigrant families had been absorbed. Of the total population of 11,000, there were at present 2,050 workers in permanent employment, 900 on relief jobs, and 200 social welfare cases.

The councils decided to ask the authorities for more industries, the transfer of a substantial Government enterprise to the town, the expansion of the Government hospital, the establishment of rest homes for civil servants and the erection of 500 asbestos houses in the near future.

## Ministry to Retain Most Welfare Jobs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministry for Social Welfare would retain most of its functions under the recommendations of the Lotan report which came before the Cabinet last Sunday, Ministry circles revealed on Tuesday.

The Ministry would continue to be responsible for general social welfare, the juvenile and adult probation services, child protection authority, child care department and rehabilitation, they said.

There is no suggestion of transferring aspects of the Ministry's juvenile probation services to another Ministry, it was said.

It is understood that the report recommended that the following functions of the Ministry of Welfare be transferred to other Ministries:

- The budget for public kindergartens for children below compulsory age — to the Ministry of Education.
- The three child guidance clinics (in the main cities) and the allocation for the hospitalization of social welfare cases (those who cannot afford to pay the charges) — to the Ministry of Health.
- The trusteeship over charitable welfare trusts without executors, and the administering of welfare institutions unable to manage their affairs (there were two such cases last year, but none at present) — to the Ministry of Justice.
- The supervision of some 430 public welfare and allied institutions and societies — to the Ministry of Interior. (At present the Ministry of Welfare awards certificates of approval to such institutions, who are thereby permitted to appeal to the public for funds.)

## Spanish Praise For 'Extraordinary' Nasser

CAIRO (Reuter). — Spanish Foreign Minister Fernando Maria Castiella, in a statement on Monday, expressed satisfaction at the "most cordial reception" for the talks he had with Abdul Nasser and Foreign Minister Fawzi. He praised Nasser's "extraordinary personality and great statesmanship."

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## Hobbies Show Opens Sunday

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Hobbies Exhibition *(Tahbiv)*, in which 50 private collections ranging from matchsticks to a miniature railway, will open to the public at the Beit Tchernichovsky Authors House on Sunday. Exhibitors and invited guests saw the show on Wednesday night.

The 50 exhibitors were chosen from some 300 applicants, all of whose hobbies were inspected by a jury. Aluf Mishne David Niv, General Manager of the 10th Anniversary Celebrations Committee, which is sponsoring the exhibition, told the press.

Mrs. Ada Maimon, Chairman of the Exhibition, said the exhibitors, who range in age from seven to seventy, include Mr. John Haggerty, U.S.O.M. Director, who has lent his miniature railway set, and Captain Donald C. Higgins, the U.S. Naval Attaché, who presents a collection of skin-diving equipment.

### Royal Exhibit

Two paintings executed by Queen Wilhelmina, Queen-Mother of the Netherlands, have been presented to the Hobbies Exhibition, Aluf-Mishne David Niv announced at the press show on Wednesday.

The Queen-Mother wishes that, after the exhibition, the pictures be sold in aid of any good cause the Tenth Anniversary Committee names.

Among the exhibits are a variety of dolls collected by three girls from Savyon; stamps with Jewish personalities on them, cages with live birds, 14 aquaria, a "Chodoroff corner" of sports gear, and unusual handicrafts in bread, silver paper and olive wood.

A radio ham will contact many parts of the world during the show. A 14-year-old has built a fleet of matchstick ships and another spent two years on building one ship of matchsticks.

On a floor all to itself will be 35 "dioramas" depicting a pageant of Jewish history, sent by the Harry Levine Foundation of New York.

The Exhibition will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. (on Friday until 2 p.m. and on Saturday night from 6 p.m.) A post office will issue first day covers on the exhibition site during the first few days, and a "Hobbies Advice Bureau" will give useful information to those interested in adopting a hobby.

TEN TONS of matzot and 200 tons of wine are to be shipped to the U.S. in the s.s. Israel this week.

## Effects of Casino Under Discussion

An interministerial Committee has been set up to consider proposals by private interests to set up a gambling casino in Israel. The committee will consider the effects that such a step would have on the country and will recommend a specific course of action to the pertinent Ministries.

This was announced on Tuesday by the spokesman of the Government Tourist Corporation. He denied that any decision had yet been taken.

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## Abrahamic Pilgrimage Off This Tu Bishvat

The traditional Tu Bishvat pilgrimage to Abraham's grove in Beersheba and the planting of trees there, will not be held on Sunday because this year is one of *shmita*, a spokesman of the Ministry for Religious Affairs stated on Tuesday.

Asked about the conflict between the Ministry of Education's circular to schools (excluding State Religious schools) urging them to plant trees, and a later announcement by the Chief Rabbinate forbidding planting this year, the Religious Affairs Ministry spokesman declared that his Ministry did not contemplate taking any action, since questions of *halacha* were the prerogative of the Chief Rabbinate.

The spokesman of the Chief Rabbinate told *The Jerusalem Post* that they do not intend to make an issue of the matter. "We can only issue instructions — we have no means to enforce them," he explained.

## HAIFA HEARS PLAY IN ENGLISH

HAIFA. — Some 200 persons attended a play reading of Osborne's "Look Back in Anger," at the James de Rothschild Cultural Centre on Tuesday night. The production by the Hitahdut Olei Britannia's dramatic group in Haifa was the first play-reading given at the Centre.

## Cinemas

**JERUSALEM**
**3.30, 6.45, 9.00**

**ARNON:** The Great Dictator.
**EDEN:** The Magnificent Matador.
**OR GIL:** Terror in a Texas Town.
**ORION:** The Bridge on the River Kwai, 5, 8.
**ORNA:** The Hunters.
**RON:** The Whole Truth.
**SEMADAR:** The Heroes Are Tired.
**TEL OR:** Last Holiday.
**ZION:** The Leather Saint.
**EDISON:** No Time for Sergeants.
**STUDIO:** East of Eden.

**TEL AVIV**
**3.30, 7.15, 9.15**

**ALLENBY:** Jacobowsky and the Colonel.
**ARMON DAVID:** Operation Mad Ball.
**CHEN:** Around the World in 80 Days. 5, 8.30.
**EDEN:** Boulboul Effendi.
**ESTHER:** The Brothers Karamazov.
**GAT:** Indiscreet.
**MAXIM:** Indiscreet.
**MIGDALOR:** La Chatte
**MOGRABI:** The Bridge on the River Kwai. 3.30, 6.45, 9.45.
**OPHIR:** St. Louis Blues.
**ORION:** Les amants.
**PEER:** Ah, les belles bacchantes.
**SHDEROT:** Three Faces of Eve.
**TAMAR:** Their Secret Affair.
**TCHELET:** The Little Hut.
**TEL-AVIV:** In Love and War.
**YARON:** The Unholy Wife.
**ZAFON:** Kanal
**ZAMIR:** In Such A Night.

**HAIFA**
**3.30, 6.45, 9**

**ORION:** Mohawk.
**PEER:** Cowboy.
**ARMON:** Around the World in 80 Days. 4.30, 8.
**ATZMON:** The Barretts of Wimpole Street.
**GAL OR:** Plus de whisky pour Callaghan.
**MORIAH:** The Last Time I Saw Paris.
**EN DOR:** Hercules.
**ORLY:** Now and Forever.
**AMPHITHEATRE:** Mardi Gras.
**MAY:** Les Girls.
**ORAH:** Une Vie.

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The partly damaged mail contained in this post box was duly forwarded to the addressees or else returned to the senders, together with an explanatory note.

## Tel Aviv Stock Market

**JANUARY 21, 1959**

| | |
|---|---|
| Pop. Loan 1949/63 (IL30) | 26 |
| 6% Comp. Loan 58/67 | 71 |
| Pal. Bearer Bds Ser. 1 | 101 |
| 5½% Comp. Loan | 68 |
| 5½% Travel Dollar g) | 103 |
| 6% Reg. Sterling "A" | 101 |
| Def. Loan Bonds 5½% f) | 104 |
| 6½% Def. Bonds f) | 105 |
| 6½% Def. Bonds g) | 103 |
| 6½% Lev. C. Debs. f) | 104 |
| 6½% Lev. C. Debs. g) | 103 |
| Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.) | 815 |
| 6½% Bonds 58/65 f) | 109 |
| ditto g) | 110 |
| Keren Hayesod | |
| 6½% Deb. 58/60 f) | 104 |
| ditto g) | 105 |
| 6% Deb. 59/68 f) | 101 |
| ditto g) | 101 |
| Igrot 6½% Deb. 58/68 | 105 |
| Rassco 6½% Deb. 58/64 | |
| Class "A" f) | 105 |
| Class "B" g) | 110 |
| Rassco 6% pref. ord. sh. | 86 |
| Bk. Leumi ord. sh. | 162 |
| Bearer Savings Cert. '39 | 96 |
| Bk. Leumi Investment | |
| Ord. sh. "B" reg. | 105 |
| Ata ord. "B" sh. | 87 |
| "Kurdaneh" ord. "B" | 373 |
| 8% con. debs. 50/68 | 324 |
| "Teva" ord. sh. | 34 |
| Pal. Cold St. (IL10.-) reg. | 117 |
| Bisur 4½% debs. 56/65 | 95 |
| Nir 5% pref. sh. | 91 |
| Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh. | 90 |
| 6½% Debs. 61/68 f) | 105 |
| I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg. | 82 |
| Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh. | 61 |
| Meller ord. sh. reg. | 105 |
| Pal. Brewery 8% con. debs | 73 |
| Assis Bejarano "B" sh. | 73 |
| Nesher 6% debs "A" 55/66 | 115 |
| Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh. | 88 |
| Dead Sea Works | 234 |
| Delek ord. sh. "C" | 100 |
| Jordan Exploration Co. | |
| Ord. sh. reg. | 66 |
| G.U.S.—Rassco Ltd. | |
| 6½ debs 61/68 (bearer) f) | 104 |
| Housing Loan, "A" 58/65 | |
| 4½% (bearer) f) | 104 |
| Housing Loan, "C," 60/69 | |
| 6% reg. g) | 99 |
| Cifco Ltd. | |
| 6% Debs. 61/64 (bearer) | 101 |

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex-coupon; d) ex-dividend; e) ex-right; f) linked with $; g) linked with C.o.L.; x) in % of IL1.800.

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## Today's Postbags

### The Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy.

| | A | B | C | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mt. Canaan | 66 | 47 | 8 | 11 |
| Tiberias | 68 | 50 | 27 | 19 |
| Haifa Port | 64 | 51 | 16 | 12 |
| Hadera | 63 | 47 | 15 | 14 |
| Tel Aviv Kiryа | 63 | 47 | 16 | 14 |
| Tel Aviv Port | 63 | 48 | 15 | 13 |
| Lydda Airport | 67 | 43 | 16 | 10 |
| Jerusalem | 64 | 42 | 9 | 12 |
| Beersheba | 66 | 41 | 15 | 15 |
| Sdom | 67 | 47 | 19 | 19 |
| Eilat | 84 | 60 | 27 | 19 |

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Atmospheric temp. C) Maximum rain spray. D) Maximum temp. on ground today.

### RAINFALL (in mm.)

| | A. | B. |
|---|---|---|
| Haifa Port | 3.9 | 190.5 |
| Hadera | 60 | 165 |
| Tel Aviv Port | 21.6 | 135.7 |
| Tel Aviv Kiryа | 22.8 | 167.3 |
| Lydda Airport | 15.6 | 146 |
| Mt. Canaan | 3.6 | 282.5 |
| Nazareth | 1.9 | 251.7 |
| Jerusalem | 2.5 | 113 |

A. Rainfall for the 24 hours ending 8 a.m. Wednesday.
B. Total rainfall since August 1.

### ARRIVALS

Mr. Y. Vardi, Director of Bonds in South America, for a five-day visit, (by El Al).

Miss Francisca Fernandez Hall, the new Guatemalan Chargé d'Affaires.

Dr. Zvi Harchabi, of the Brit Ivrit Olamit, from a two months tour in Europe and the U.S.

### DEPARTURES

Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, Ambassador to France, and Mrs. Tsur, to Paris, after home leave, (by El Al).

Mr. Avraham Goldberg, Managing Director of Fertilisers and Chemicals, for a short trip to Europe on company matters, (by El Al).

A TOTAL of 147 immigrants arrived at Lydda Airport on Wednesday by El Al planes.

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THE FORTNIGHTLY convoy went to Mount Scopus on Wednesday carrying supplies and replacements for the Hebrew University and Hadassah Hospital staff members there.

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HAIFA POLICE are investigating the disappearance of nearly all records of the Tnuva works committee for 1957/58. They vanished from a safe at the committee's office in the Talpiot market building.

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A MEMBER of Kibbutz Ashdod Ya'acov was arrested on Wednesday on suspicion of selling 2,500 kg. of bananas from the kibbutz plantation to a dealer in Tel Aviv and pocketing the proceeds.

## Careless Speeders Lose Driving Permits, Fined

A young Jerusalemite was on Wednesday fined IL500 and deprived of his driving licence for three years for responsibility in the road death in September 1957 of Dr. Avraham Sharon (Shwadron).

In passing sentence on the driver of the jeep involved, Yosef Taharani, 23, Magistrate Y. Bazak took into account that the late Dr. Sharon had been notoriously careless in crossing streets.

It had been shown in court that Taharani, a mechanic by trade, had been driving at a speed of 45 k.p.h. up Rehov Strauss in Jerusalem when he struck and fatally injured Dr. Sharon. While the excessive speed was not criminal negligence in this particular case, it did not allow the accused sufficient time to warn Dr. Sharon with his horn or to apply his brakes.

A hit-and-run driver from Rishon leZion, David Nisimov, 28, was fined IL1,250 and had his licence revoked for four years by the Petah Tikva Magistrates Court on Wednesday for striking a cyclist.

The charge sheet stated that towards dawn on July 15, 1957, the accused was driving his car at excessive speed and without lights on the Tel Aviv-Haifa road when he struck a bicycle rider, Zvi Shor, near Gan Hayim. The victim suffered a severe leg injury but the accused kept on going without stopping to give assistance. Police traced the hit-and-run driver from pieces of glass and other pieces of the car left at the scene of the accident.

The Court declared that "this is a cruel and shameful case and had a passerby not happened along and heard the groans of the injured man, he might have been left on the road for hours without help." *(Itim)*

## Egyptians Holding 3 Tel Aviv Girls

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.— Israel on Wednesday requested the "immediate repatriation" of three girls detained by Egyptian authorities in the Gaza Strip on Tuesday in the company of a Canadian member of the U.N. Emergency Force.

The Israel request was passed on by the U.N.E.F. Liaison Officer to the Egyptians.

The missing girls, all about 20, are known prostitutes from the Tel Aviv area who crossed the border to the Gaza Strip in a U.N. car. It was reliably learned here. Their names have not been released for publication.

Reuter reported from Cairo quoting a U.N.E.F. spokesman, that the Canadian sergeant arrested by the Egyptian in the company of the girls has since been returned to his unit.

# Plans Made for Export Fight

## Tariffs Must Drop If We Join Europe Free Trade Area

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Israel's participation in the European Free Trade Area — if and when it is established — will mean lowering tariffs, increasing import quotas and putting local industry up against much stiffer competition from abroad, according to Mr. M. Tsour, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

In a speech delivered at the monthly meeting of the Economic Forum of the Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, Mr. Tsour said that Israel is also trying to establish close relations with the new institutions that have been established through the creation of the European Common Market. There is no question of Israel's participation in the ECM, but there has been talk of Israel joining the Free Trade Area. Mr. Tsour pointed out that this is first and foremost a political question, and there has been some advance in the attitude of the FTA candidate members towards Israel's association in the new group.

"One thing is certain, however; whatever form future ties between Israel and the European countries will take, it will mean much stiffer competition for Israel's exports in Europe and more competition in the home market from imported goods," he declared. On the other hand, the higher standard of living that can be expected in Europe as a result of these developments will give Israel a good chance to expand its exports.

On the home market, we have been advancing towards more liberalization in many fields, but Israel can afford to do away with the remaining controls only from a position of strength, said Mr. Tsour. "Many people advocate the abolition of foreign currency controls; I am all for it, but I am not so certain that these same people understand all the consequences of such a step and that they would be prepared to pay the much higher price they will be charged for their foreign currency," he stated.

We have started by liberalizing the import of raw materials, and the subsequent competition between producers has been healthy for the economy. We must now advance towards more competition between the local and foreign producers, and the number of local volunteers for competition abroad is small, Mr. Tsour added.

The trend to liberalization may be impeded by the cost of new immigration, but we will continue to advance in the same direction. There is no alternative to the necessity of producing more than the local market can absorb so that the surplus must seek an outlet abroad.

## No Plans to Buy Out Co-ops—Carmel

HERZLIYA. — "The Ministry of Transport has no plan for transferring transport from the present ownership of the cooperatives to the Government, and no such plan has been put before the Cabinet," Mr. Moshe Carmel, Minister of Transport, declared on Wednesday at the opening of a new, modern bus station here.

"The state has more pressing needs than to divert its funds to a change in authority of the bus companies," he added.

The transport services might be improved without nationalization by increasing the public control over the cooperatives, and by internal improvements, such as accepting a large number of hired workers as members of the cooperatives. He called on the cooperatives to continue to strive for greater efficiency and to extend their service and the number of their stations, and to avoid further steps which would raise the price of public transport.

The new bus station is one of the most modern and largest opened in recent years. It extends over 20 dunams, with 17 passenger platforms and buildings for passenger services. Premises for twenty shops are included in the station, which cost IL800,000. The Local Council spent a further IL150,000 on roads leading to the terminal.

## Export Premia On Gross Added Value

POST Economic Reporter

A plan to extend the scope of the export premium by granting it on the gross added value — and not on the net as hitherto — is currently being studied by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, in connection with its survey on means of increasing exports during the coming year. This was revealed in Jerusalem on Wednesday by Mr. Michael Tsour, the Director-General of the Ministry.

The new steps are being considered in view of the disappointing export figures in 1958.

It is understood that the plan envisages excluding from computations of added value of any export product the foreign currency expended on local services, such as electricity, water, transport etc., used in its production. Hitherto, the foreign currency expenditures on these services had been subtracted from the added value accruing from the exported item.

It is felt that such a step would only be fair, as the exporting plant pays for the dollar component of the local services it receives at a rate much higher than IL3.800 per dollar.

### Aid to Export Houses

The Ministry is also considering participating in financing special export houses to represent small potential exporters by granting them loans for initial capital. It has been shown that many small manufacturers who could export their products, do not because they lack the necessary financial and administrative facilities.

The Ministry is now considering matching every Pound invested in such export houses with a Pound in Government loans.

Other steps for encouraging exports currently being considered by the Ministry are the granting of Government financial assistance in the form of working capital and for maintenance of stocks to industries willing to expand their export production to the maximum. It is believed that if many industries would utilise their productive capacity to the maximum, they could lower their production costs by between 20-25 per cent.

The Ministry will also be prepared to undertake part of the risk involved in export ventures resulting from such expansion of production.

## Alliance Tires Claim To Be Biggest Exporter

HADERA. — Alliance Tires was Israel's largest single exporter in 1958, earning $3m. Mr. Yosef Fleicher, Manager of the plant, told the press here on Wednesday. He hoped that exports will total $4m. in 1959.

Last year, 53 per cent of production went to exports, and this is to be raised to 58 per cent this year. Goods manufactured here by Alliance go to 25 countries in three continents. The bulk of the increase last year went to Africa, Mr. Fleicher reported.

Export orders have already been received for fan belts, the newest addition to the factory's list of products. It is hoped to manufacture 300,000 per month.

## Citrus Marketing Board To Review Order for 1m. Cartons

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Citrus Marketing Board will reconsider the cancellation of its order for one million Cargal cartons for citrus in view of the intervention of the Minister of Commerce and Industry, heads of the C.M.B. told a press conference at Beit Sokolow on Wednesday.

Mr. I. Rokach, of the Board, declared that the order had been placed only at the insistence of the Government, despite the previous unsatisfactory experience of the Board with this kind of container. The Board has been trying out citrus shipments with cartons since 1954, well before any factory was established locally. Since then, it had appointed a professional committee, and sent delegations abroad to investigate possibilities of using this form of citrus packaging.

The report of a committee appointed by the Ministry of Agriculture and headed by the late Dr. Ofen had confirmed the C.M.B.'s negative experience with cartons, Mr. Rokach claimed. The order for cartons had been withdrawn upon receipt of the report.

### Saving Illusory

He asserted that it was wrong to reckon the dollar saving involved in using cartons rather than other containers if their use resulted in greater losses in the end-product. Rebutting the claim that carton manufacture provided employment, Mr. Rokach pointed out that production of Bruce boxes was now occupying an ever growing labour force.

Mr. Y. Chorin, General Manager of Yakhin Hakal, called for final tests, under public authority, to settle which is the most advantageous form of packaging. These tests should be binding on the C.M.B.

He declared that he had originally supported the order for one million cartons, because the loss of public confidence would prove more damaging in the long run than the professional considerations. While there was no doubt about the professional problem, the speaker declared that the cancellation of the order would be misinterpreted by the public as an act not based on commercial considerations.

Mr. Y. Galler, of Tnuva Export, declared that his firm definitely opposed the use of cartons if pre-cooling facilities were not available. He pointed out that when the public firm exporting eggs had made a similar decision this had not been regarded as anything but a technical question.

### No Room for Experiment

"Those who press for further experimental orders of cartons, are doing so for the sake of those orders only, as there is no more room for experiment," he claimed. The one million cartons should be taken, but this should be the last purchase.

Mr. Mendes Sachs called on the Government to reaffirm its confidence in the competence of the C.M.B., or to dissolve that body rather than force the growers' representatives to act in a way which he claimed was detrimental to their interests. He warned that Jaffas would lose their good name if the exporters overlooked the increased wastage caused by unsuitable packaging.

As prices are coming down this season in any case, this was the wrong time to take added risks, he declared.

My beloved husband, our dear father, father-in-law, brother and friend

**Dr. Arthur Rosenbaum**

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The funeral will leave the Assuta Hospital, Tel Aviv, today, Thursday, January 22, 1959 at 2.30 p.m.

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# All But Sugar and Coffee To Go Off Ration Next Month

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

All rationing except for sugar and coffee will end in January, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Sapir, told the Knesset Finance Committee on Wednesday.

He explained that sugar and coffee would continue to be rationed to assure that consumers kept their ration cards in case of emergencies. He added that rationing had never been an end in itself and the Government had always intended to do away with it as early as possible.

As a result of increased local production and a more favourable foreign currency situation, the time has arrived to abolish rationing, he declared. Mr. Sapir paid tribute to his predecessor in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry who administered rationing in spite of considerable public resentment. He especially singled out for praise the former Minister of Supply and Rationing, Dr. Dov Joseph, who had introduced controls and austerity when they were most necessary.

The spokesman of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry gave details of the procedure that will be followed as regards the January rations. The edible oil ration (margarine and oil), chocolate and rice rations will be available until Friday, January 30. The meat and fish fillet ration for January will be distributed between January 26 and February 6, and the bi-monthly cocoa ration for children will be distributed until February 27. Sugar and coffee rations will be distributed as usual.

The spokesman could not, however, give details of the prices that can be anticipated following the ending of rationing. It is expected that the price of meat will range between IL5 per kg. of frozen meat and IL8 per kg. of fresh meat. The Government intends to stabilize the prices by putting stocks of meat on the market whenever the price rises higher than this.

The price of oil is expected to fluctuate between IL1.200 and IL1.800 per kg.

As for sugar, it is to be expected that though it will continue to be be rationed its price will be increased and will probably be 600 pruta per kg. compared with the current ration price of 270 pruta per kg.

### SAPIR TO SPEAK IN U.K. FOR TECHNION

HAIFA. — The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, has accepted an invitation from the British Technion Committee to address its annual dinner in London on January 29 (next Thursday), the Technion spokesman said on Wednesday.

The dinner will be attended by British Cabinet Ministers and other dignitaries. One of the speakers will be Britain's Minister of Power, Sir Percy Mills. Mr. Sapir is leaving here early next week.

## Labour Agreement Being Renewed

POST Labour Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — The agreement between the Histadrut and the Manufacturers Association for the payment of the C-o-L allowance to industrial workers will be renewed on Thursday (today) or Friday for a further two years, *The Jerusalem Post* learns.

Mr. Aharon Becher, head of the Histadrut Trade Union Department, and Mr. M. Heumann, head of the Manufacturers Association Labour Department, who are to sign the agreement, told *The Jerusalem Post* that their action was now routine. Both sides hope that all future agreements will be reached in a similarly conciliatory atmosphere.

Histadrut leaders hope that, following its acceptance of a wage stabilisation policy, employers will see their way to accept the various claims for increased social welfare benefits and other requests submitted to them.

Mr. Hausmann revealed that the manufacturers' leaders are to convene within the next few days to formulate their stand on these demands. Those which affect industry as a whole would be decided upon by his department, he declared. These include the demand for the introduction of a series of pension funds.

Both sides revealed that, on other matters, each section of industry would decide on its own specific policy and negotiate with the union involved.

The Histadrut demand that employers pay the "frozen third" is expected to encounter strong opposition, it is understood.

## Junior Bible Quiz Finals on Air Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The finals of the junior Bible Quiz are to be held on Thursday at 3 p.m. (this afternoon) at the Mann Auditorium.

The proceedings will be broadcast from 3 p.m. onward on Kol Yisrael's Second Programme and from 5.05 p.m. on all wave-lengths.

Ten finalists will compete for three main prizes—four years', two years', and one year's free high school tuition.

The competition has been going for four months and there were originally 10,000 entries. It has been run jointly by "Davar Leyeladim" and the Ministry of Education in conjunction with the Society for Bible Research and the Tenth Anniversary World Committee.

## Toledano, Bar-Yehuda Meet on Registration

The Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Y.M. Toledano, met with the Minister of Interior, Mr. I. Bar-Yehuda, at the latter's home in Jerusalem on Wednesday night to discuss the registration of non-Jewish adults and minors. The two Ministers will meet again to consider the question after Rabbi Toledano studies additional material on the subject which Mr. Bar-Yehuda promised to send him.

Rabbi Toledano had supper sent in from Goldschmidt's Kosher Restaurant around the corner.

### 47,400 MORE JEWS RECORDED IN 1958

The population of Israel totalled 2,031,700 on December 31, the Central Bureau of Statistics has announced. Of this total, Jews numbered 1,810,100.

The Jewish population grew by 47,400 persons in 1958 — 22,880 coming from net natural increase and 14,550 from net immigration. The number of people who announced their intention to leave the country in 1958 was 7,716.

## Solel Boneh Contests Order Blocking Management Changes

Counsel for Solel Boneh on Monday promised that his client would publish a notice in "Davar" that the newly-appointed management of its subsidiary, Even veSid, would not start functioning until such time as the court injunction issued against is was cancelled.

The firm's lawyer, Mr. H. Zadok, announced this before the Jerusalem District Court during hearings on Solel Boneh's request that the temporary injunction be revoked. The order was originally issued at the request of Even veSid's former manager, Mr. Benyamin Kav-Venaki, who claims that the recent reorganization of the firm was illegal as he, as a major stockholder, had not been consulted and had not been included in the new management. Solel Boneh denies that Mr. Kav-Venaki owns any Even veSid stock.

### Alleged Violation

At the beginning of Wednesday's hearings, Mr. S. Tusia-Cohen, counsel for Mr. Kav-Venaki, had asked that Solel Boneh's request to cancel the injunction be thrown out of court because the firm had already violated the order by the installation of the new management, which was in effect running the firm.

In addition to Mr. Kav-Venaki, who claims possession of 7,480 shares of the original 20,000 shares of the company, the heirs of the late Haj Taher Karaman are also claiming that they had been misled into selling 4,000 shares of the company's stock to Solel Boneh. They claimed that the Solel Boneh people told them that Haj Taher Karaman had already transferred his shares to Solel Boner before his death, and they, as his heirs, were to receive payment for the sale, as the deceased had died before being paid. They said that they received IL20,000 in payment, but alleged that they had been tricked into signing a Hebrew contract which was in fact a bill of sale. They charged that the contract had been represented to them as a formality to exempt them from tax payments on the IL20,000.

Wednesday's hearing was mostly given over to a request by Mr. Simha Golan, a member of the Solel Boneh management and a member of the former management of Even veSid, that the injunction against the functioning of the new management be cancelled. He declared that although he did not know how it came about that the original shares were recorded in Mr. Kav-Venaki's name, he was sure that he had only acted as a trustee of Solel Boneh and had not owned the shares in his private capacity. Mr. Golan will continue to testify on Thursday. *(Itim)*

375 TONS of frozen meat arrived in Haifa from South Africa on Wednesday in the s.s. Ice Pearl.

## Nahmias Opposes City Police Forces

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.— The Inspector-General of Police, Mr. T. Nahmias, on Wednesday came out against the formation of city police forces in an address to the Local Government Committee of the General Zionist party at the ROA House here.

Mr. Nahmias told speakers who favoured city police forces that "in this small country, a small municipality like Rishlon LeZion could not afford to maintain all the expensive apparatus involved in running a local police." He felt that the best solution was the wide-spread introduction of the local police beat which is being tried out in Tel Aviv.

The local police force could not offer the same chances for advancement to young men as a national force, he pointed out.

Much could also be done by cooperation between local authorities and the police in educating the public to keep order, he declared. The problem was not as acute in small towns, but in the large centres coordination between the two left much to be desired, Mr. Nahmiah said.

## Salomon Murder Probe Has Kibbutz in Turmoil

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GIVAT BRENNER. — An exhaustive police investigation into the two-week-old murder of Avigail Salomon continued to run up against a blank wall, the Kibbutz Secretary, Mr. Yitzhak Tuchman said on Wednesday that the tragedy has led to "serious repercussions on communal life here."

Mr. Tuchman told *The Jerusalem Post* that tension was mounting among kibbutz members as no solution to the case was yet in sight.

The 28-year-old mother of two was found strangled to death in an abandoned shack of the settlement.

Police have taken written statements from 100 kibbutz members and have questioned 500 more. Also interrogated were all persons who were known to have had any connection with the murdered woman or her family.

The family of the husband, Zion Salomon, dismiss the theory that the tragedy involved "romantic complications."

A PASSENGER train on Tuesday ran over seven sheep belonging to Mr. Reuven Lazarowits of Herzliya. They are valued at IL700.

## Too Many Millionairies at Orly Airport

What is a "millionaire" among air crews?

He is a crew member who has flown more than one million kilometres (or miles). It is the tradition of airlines to reward them with a special insignia.

With Air France, no one wears it any longer for it has become too common to have any significance. That is why medals are now granted after 2,500 hours of flight, and almost half the crews have already won it. At an average speed of 500 km. (310 miles) per hour, this represents some 2,500,000 kilometres (1,564,000 miles).

The experience accumulated by the Company's flying officers is without comparison; some of them have spent as much as the equivalent of 2½ years in the sky! Time flown by all crews added together totals more than five and a half centuries. Yet, even veterans among them spend one out of ten working hours training and further increasing their knowledge. They return to the schoolroom at regular intervals and undergo the merciless tests of the electronic "flight simulators".

Within the greatest expansion programme in its history, Air France is spending some five billion francs on training the crews who, tomorrow, will fly the elegant Caravelles and the huge 707 Intercontinentals on the largest network in the world. *(Advt.)*

# Women M.K.'s Ask Gov't For Central Control of Adoption

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The establishment of a public agency to deal with adoption matters was proposed by all the women speakers in the Knesset debate on the Adoption Bill, which was introduced by the Minister of Justice on Tuesday. The debate continues.

Walls not all the proponents of such an agency specified what its tasks would be, the implication was that the courts should not issue an adoption order without the agency's consent.

Commenting on the provision that no adoption order shall be issued before the child has lived with the prospective adoptive parents for six months, Miss Rahel Zabahi (Mapai) pointed out that the bill is silent on who is to decide whether this trial period has been satisfactory. This should be one of the tasks of the proposed agency.

The only basic opposition to the bill came from representatives of the religious parties, who objected mainly to the fact that the bill would deprive the rabbinical courts of that jurisdiction over adoption cases which they still possess. (The rabbinical courts may be reasorted to here only with the consent of all parties concerned.) This was the view taken by Rabbi Zalman Ben-Ya'acov (Aguda) and Mr. Ya'acov Katz (Poalei Aguda).

### Premature Consent

Section 9 of the bill was challenged by two speakers. This provides that parents' consent to adoption which is given before a child's birth or within three months of birth shall be considered void.

Mrs. Emma Talmi (Mapam) thought that such a rule might increase the number of cases where an unwed mother tries to do away with her child. Mr. David Bar-Rav-Hay (Mapai) felt that a mother who consented, before the birth, to give the child away, might well have second thoughts after the birth. He therefore proposed that such consent be voidable, but not automatically void.

Mr. Benjamin Arditi (Herut) wanted the bill to make provision for an elderly person who wished to adopt a person not a minor. (The bill limits adoption to children under 18.) He also joined the religious party speakers in saying that adoptive parents should be of the same religion as the child.

The other speakers who advocated the setting up of an adoption agency were Mrs. Ruth Heklin (Ahdut Ha'avoda) and Mrs. Sara Kafri and Mrs. Debora Netzer (both Mapai). They also proposed a number of changes in the Government draft.

## HONESTY REWARDED

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The six members of the crew of the trawler Doron were awarded IL-200 on Wednesday by Pakad Mordecai Ran of the Coastal Police for the surrender of a considerable quantity of hashish which they found a few weeks ago.

While fishing off the coast of Ashkelon, the Doron men hauled up two tire-tubes inside which the drug was hidden. Its value on the market would have been several thousand pounds.

## Open Letter to the Israel Press

Today I leave your country with bitterness in my heart. I have been criticised by the papers without having been given an opportunity of stating my position. I never asked Mr. Dehan to act as a *shadhan* or promised him any reward nor do I owe him any money, but this was not why I objected to paying him. The reason was that before even approaching me with any definite demand he came down upon me during my honeymoon with humiliating threats and launched a hostile campaign through the press which went to all pains to show me as a mean person, completely ignoring the fact that no man of honour would, in my position, react differently to a pressure of this kind. I have been forced by this unfair publicity to contest the lawsuit in order to have my name cleared by a Court of Justice; the money involved is of no significance to me.

I am surprised that Israel papers have devoted so much space and activity to so trivial a matter; they have scorned and harassed me while I was a visitor in this country, which claims to be hospitable. The press represents in my eyes the public opinion of Israel and this is why all my positive and friendly feelings towards this country have become obliterated.

Michael Moyse Wahlder

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BELATEDLY, rain has begun to fall, and if no other trouble intervenes, harvests may still be fair, at least in the northern part of the country.

WATER RESOURCES

In the South, this year, the age-old gamble has been lost. The fields were ploughed, the precious grain scattered, a freak shower caused it to germinate, and then the farmers looked on helplessly while the green sprouts withered and died.

In a good year the barley in the northern Negev is a proud sight, and it is difficult to believe that the area is considered semi-arid. But the fact is that bad years are as certain as good ones, and over the years not more than two harvests out of three have materialized. That is why systematic farming involving investment is possible in the Negev only if it is sufficiently variegated to be able to survive the dry years by depending on irrigated crops and live-stock in addition to the grain, which is no more than a bounty of heaven. The modern farmer can no longer simply tighten his belt and make do for himself and his family on very little until the harvest improves again. His farm is a business, and overhead and the servicing of loans require cash profits. It has cost him money, not only to live and to work, but to use his tractor to plough the field, to provide fertiliser, to buy his seed grain.

Yet on the other hand our water resources are reaching their natural limits. It is reasonable that the cities, and in particular Tel Aviv, should be asked to conserve the water which they have tended to use too liberally in the past, taking a pride in the fact that their consumption per capita is one of the highest in the world. But this water is going to be needed for the domestic requirements of the growing urban population; it cannot be drained off for agriculture. Within the present water budget we are near the limit of agricultural expansion, though rationalization of the use of water could still increase by a certain percentage the area under irrigation crops and therefore the number of families who can expect to make a reasonable living on the land.

This year's catastrophes, and the current need to import fodder if the emergency slaughtering of live-stock is to cease, merely point up the need to complete the water development schemes that have lain in abeyance for some years past. Pipes and machinery are already stored away ready for the construction of the second Negev pipe-line, but useless until the Jordan deviation scheme is completed. It is true that there are technical difficulties to hold up that scheme, apart from the likelihood that Jordan and Syria would take its completion as an excuse to renew hostilities, and the great cost involved. But with the great new spurt given to immigration with the expected arrival of a large body of population from Eastern Europe the extra water will have to be provided, either directly from the Jordan, or from its basin, Lake Tiberias, a choice that balances extra cost against the avoidance of political obstacles.

It is not without interest that it is at this juncture that Jordan has decided to re-route the Yarmuk, thereby depriving six Israel villages of their water. Certainly, if anything is in the long run to be done for the refugees in Jordan, the original area water scheme will have to be implemented, and the Litani river, now running to waste unused in the Lebanon, included in the plan to the benefit of all. The Middle East has jointly suffered from drought and locusts this year, and is going to know food shortages in consequence. It is possible to plan if not for the prevention of these plagues, then for the lessening of their effect. It is a question only of how long such a decision can be postponed in response to political considerations.

# Khrushchev on the Tight-Rope

## *Party Congress 'Packed' But Premier No Stalin*

By EDWARD CRANKSHAW

QUITE a number of the old familiar faces will be missing from the grand Parliament of Congress, the 21st, which meets in Moscow on Tuesday.

Three years ago, at the historic 20th Congress which ended with Khrushchev's "revelations" about Stalin, the great names of the Party leadership almost all belonged to men who owed their positions to Stalin. Beria was dead, but Bulganin was still Prime Minister and going strong, while Kaganovich, Malenkov, Molotov and the newcomer, Shepilov, were still powerful in the Party Presidium and Secretariat.

Some of Stalin's later creations, such as Pervukhin and Saburov, looked forward, one imagined, to increasing authority and power. Marshal Zhukov was soon to crown his career by becoming the first active soldier to win a seat in the Party's innermost councils.

In a word the original "collective leadership," minus Beria, was still very much in being; and although Khrushchev stole the show he was still far from being the Soviet Union. So far, indeed, that in the spring of 1957, over a year later, he was voted down by a majority of his colleagues on the Presidium and according to inspired reports saved himself only by appealing over their heads to the hastily convened Central Committee, with its 225 full members and its 120 candidate, non-voting, members.

This is the body that represents the rank-and-file Party members throughout the Union. One of the duties of the Congress itself is to elect a new Central Committee. Khrushchev supporters in the existing one, elected in February, 1956, were just strong enough to see their man through—and thus sweep his major opponents into limbo. According to all expectations the new one, when elected, should be pro-Khrushchev almost to a man.

**Central Committee Strong**

It will be interesting and instructive to see what happens then. Since Stalin's death, and under Khrushchev's leadership, the Central Committee has been a body to be reckoned with. First, it helped to hold the balance between the conflicting claims and policies of Stalin's successors; then, manipulated by Khrushchev, it voted him into his present ascendancy.

This was a new departure. The Government of the U.S.S.R. in the last years of Stalin consisted, in effect, of Stalin and his personal agents. Instead of holding a Party Congress every three or four years, Stalin managed to do without one for thirteen years, from 1939 to 1952. The Central Committee as such hardly ever met, and then only as a formality. The government of the country was conducted by Stalin working through Poskrebyshev, the head of his private office, on the one hand, and through the Politburo appointed by him at the 18th Party Congress in 1939 on the other.

This Politburo was a self-perpetuating body, and Stalin moved its members up and down in the hierarchy at will, indicating their relative importance by the changing order in which their names were given, adding and subtracting from their number at his pleasure. The highest offices in the Council of Ministers were also held by Politburo members.

At the 19th Party Congress, shortly before his death, Stalin transformed the Politburo into the Presidium of the Central Committee and at the same time considerably enlarged it. But still the Central Committee meant nothing.

For the last six years all that has been changed. The Central Committee has held frequent and important meetings, and often the speeches have been published. As we know, in the late spring of 1957 it played a critical part. The question is whether now that Mr. Khrushchev has emerged supreme he will still find a use for the Central Committee. One of the main purposes of the 21st Party Congress is to confirm the First Secretary's supremacy. Will it, at the same time, dig the grave of the Central Committee?

**Picked Men**

It is certain that the delegates to the Congress will be overwhelmingly Khrushchev men. They will elect a new Central Committee of the kind Khrushchev desires. In turn there will be a newly elected Presidium, Secretariat, Control Commission, and the rest — all of the kind Khrushchev desires.

In a word, the Soviet Union by all appearances will find itself back in the days when one man, this time Khrushchev, who combines in his person the leadership of the Party and of the State, can approve, or nominate, all major appointments. This was the position reached by Stalin when he decided that he could afford to dispense even with the appearance of inner-Party democracy and show himself as a dictator.

Will Khrushchev follow him? Will the 21st Party Congress be the last Congress for years to come? Will there be an end of the elaborately arranged sessions of the Central Committee? And even if the Party Congress is retained as a regular feature, even if the Central Committee is convened as frequently as it has been during the past few years, will this be anything but window-dressing?

**No New Dictator**

Many experienced observers are convinced that at this new Congress Khrushchev will, in fact, emerge as a dictator, unopposed, and with Stalin's power to exact immediate obedience on all sides. I question this.

Stalin appears to me to have been a very special individual functioning at a unique period of Soviet history, which is now at an end. Stalin, with a character equal to the occasion, was a man who started virtually from scratch to mould an embryonic society in his own image. Towards the end of his career that society had developed in all sorts of unforeseen ways, and it needed all Stalin's immense personal authority to keep it running on pre-ordained lines, which were already outdated.

Khrushchev, on the other hand, has inherited a highly developed society which, in the past six years, has broken out in all sorts of directions. Where Stalin could push on like a steam-roller, always straight ahead, Khrushchev has to be constantly adapting himself to new forces — forces, moreover, that he cannot afford to kill if the Soviet Union is to be kept moving at its present pace. He has to juggle with many well-developed and often conflicting vested interests. He has to take account of the powerful personalities these interests throw up. Stalin was a bulldozer; Khrushchev is a tight-rope walker. The Russian people hold the ends of the rope.

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# Penal Code Needs Revising

Davar (Histadrut) notes that while Knesset Members of various parties have taken exception to the formulation of certain articles in the proposed Penal Law Amendment, they all, without exception, support the principle that only State courts should handle criminal cases. Yet there seems to be no homogeneous standard of punishment for various misdemeanors, and there have been cases when penalties were too severe or too lenient. The time has indeed come for our Legislature to see to the amendment of the Penal Laws so that the law should be law and punishment should be punishment.

Hahoker (General Zionist) finds it fortunate that the Knesset Presidium has decided that voting on this matter will not be by party, giving coalition critics a chance to voice their opinion. But the fact that the coalition leadership has had to yield to the demand of its own members shows that the Government is also not at one with the way the Amendment is formulated.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) writes that the "no-mud-slinging" agreement between the labour parties does not invalidate the right to debate, for the fight about the course that the State should take is still in full swing and differences of opinion still exist and call for clarification. Mapam, the paper promises, will continue to rise against harmful ideological and political concepts and against every wrong.

Herut writes that Nasser has put into the heads of the simple-minded in the West that he should be assisted firmly to establish his position and that it were best not to anger him. If Israel does not go over to the political offensive and tear away the mask from the face of the sly fox in Cairo, we ourselves shall be helping him realise his sinister ambitions.

Ha'aretz (non-party) is under the impression that the Laender authorities in West Germany are not doing their best to speed up the handling of indemnification to victims of Nazi persecution and that the Federal Government should do something about it.

**PEN FRIENDS**

JAMES N. NOBLES, 714 W. 4th Avenue, Moses Lake, Washington, U.S.A., writes that in the past two years he has devoted quite a lot of his spare time to bringing people of various nations together in friendship through contact and exchange of ideas by corresponding with each other. He has the names and addresses of about 4,000 people, mostly in the U.S., who would like to correspond with people in Israel and other countries. Anyone interested can write to him; there is no charge for bringing the people together but he asks for an international coupon for his reply (three for airmail or one for surface mail).

DOGAN ALTUG, an 18-year old boy who lives at Iyaire Cadessi, Aydin Saray No. 163, Kat 4, Beyazit, Istanbul, Turkey, would like a pen friend in Israel.

# Educators Go to School

## *High School Teachers Get Better Training*

By PHILIP GILLON

ONE of Israel's virtues is that although a new idea may take time to get accepted, once it is adopted it is developed with extraordinary rapidity. The Ministry of Education plans to increase the number of secondary school pupils within three years from 23,000 to 48,000; and already "Secondary education is ablaze" to meet this goal, in the words of Dr. Zvi Adar, the Director of the Hebrew University's John Dewey School of Education, which trains Israel's high school teachers.

On the basis of 25 pupils per class, with each pupil studying 23 hours a week and each teacher instructing for 23 hours, the 25,000 pupils will require 900 more high school teachers, apart from principals and administrative staff — and without replacing the under-qualified teachers presently employed or the veteran teachers whose retirement is overdue. A stupendous effort is needed to train all these educators, and it is being made.

Today 60 per cent of the nation's high-school teachers hold qualifications below those officially specified: they have been temporarily upgraded from the elementary school level by the magic wand of shortage. While they should all hold B.A. degrees and School of Education diplomas — along with M.A. diplomas for those who teach the last two years of secondary school — the majority of them are not yet either university graduates or qualified pedagogues. Teacher quality in the same school also varies enormously from classroom to classroom and from subject to subject. And the secondary education is far more expensive than in most countries of East and West alike.

**Study, a Luxury**

Only recently has it become possible to do something about this. Just a year ago, a dynamic young politician trying to make his way in the world proclaimed that secondary education was a luxury our country could not afford. Even today, many of the country's leaders are proud of being plain, blunt workingmen who may have carried the building blocks of the University on Mount Scopus but never attended it.

However, these same leaders are realizing that the interests of the modern farmer and urban worker demand the highest possible standards in the country's classrooms and lecture halls; and the School of Education faces the problem of getting sufficient resources to turn out teachers fast enough to meet the national need without reducing standards.

This year the school, maintained with the help of the National Council of Jewish Women of Africa, took a big step forward by moving into new premises built on the University campus, assisted by a IL.300,000 grant from the U.S. Government. Over 200 university graduates also enrolled as teacher-students at the beginning of the academic year, more than doubling the total number in the school.

The fact speaks volumes for the idealism of professedly cynical young Israelis, who obviously choose careers without considering only the financial and other rewards. The demands made on them are very high. They have to be graduates holding Bachelors' or Masters' degrees, and they have to take a year's course for the teacher's diploma.

This year they are taught teaching methods, principles and orientation, the course covering all aspects of pedagogic training, both theory and practice, with the University Training School at Beit Hakerem serving as the main centre. "To sum up our objectives," says Dr. Adar, "we hope to make teachers education-minded."

The school offers other courses to students wishing to become research workers in education or lecturers on pedagogics. Another department concentrates on special education for disturbed children. A new programme, on trial this year, will train supervisors and planners of curricula and educational experiments in primary schools.

Thus there is hope that Israel's secondary school vista will not remain so gloomy as it is at present. Despite Oscar Wilde's scepticism, those who want to teach are also anxious to learn: within a decade the country's high schools should be fully staffed by qualified educators. Unfortunately, the going will still be tough for young people unlucky enough to be at secondary school until then.

NATURE NOTES

# *Advice on Choosing Pets*

SPEAKING of pets, I meant last time to tell you not only about dogs, but in answer to a good many letters which reach me, to give some advice. Dogs are best from every standpoint, but if you have to leave home often, don't keep one. It is cruel. A cat is most interesting, but should be left to go out at will; he — or she — is never entirely domesticated.

Tortoises have one great advantage: they are likely to live longer than you and not to grieve you by their demise, as all other pets do. But they certainly are not very responsive, nor pleasant to cuddle! They are quite interesting to watch, however, love music and are very easy to keep as regards their food, so that they can be left alone for several days.

Golden hamsters are wonderful, easy to tame, droll and affectionate, cheap to keep — but they die of old age after two or at most three years.

Most birds grow as old as dogs or more — between 12 and 18 years, and some can very easily be tamed and left to fly around. You — or your wife — must of course not be obsessive about cleanliness, or you must keep them in a roomy cage. Budgerigars are intelligent and affectionate, canaries and thistlefinches are the best singers. Wild birds caught as grownups should never be tortured by confinement, however. (Canaries have been cagebirds for generations, but thistlefinches, for instance, are wild birds.)

Don't let chameleons roam about the house, they will get killed eventually. A terrarium is best for them. *P.A.*

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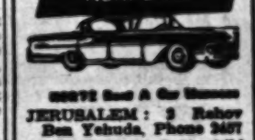

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# Reader's Letter

**WRAPPED BREAD**
Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It has been reported that the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has decided to prevent the sale of sliced bread, wrapped in waxed paper, since this constitutes unfair competition to bakeries which have not the necessary machinery for such bread, and the have-nots are the majority.

It is easy to understand that the bakeries demand that the Government either allocate them foreign currency for modern equipment or else put their competitors back to their own standard, but it is a frightening thought what could happen if this kind of logic were carried to other professions. The barber using electric hair clippers has an unfair advantage over his colleagues who have only manual tools, the electric light bulb factory has an unfair advantage over the candle-maker, and motorcars seem to be in serious competition with donkeys, camels and the like.

Where bread is concerned, our progressive community has not paid too much attention to hygiene, but there are quite a lot of people who like their bread both sliced and hygienically wrapped in waxed paper. Why take egalitarianism so far as to deprive them of the commodity they seek?

Yours, etc.
*Y. L.*
*(Name and Address Supplied)*
Tel Aviv, January 13.

# *SHALOM TO ALL THAT*

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

IT was a grey, wet, drought-breaking day when the s.s. Theodor Herzl steamed into Haifa Port, bringing 180 tourists and returning residents and 190 immigrants. The main quay was rain-swept and deserted. Inside the drab cargo shed that serves as the port's passenger terminal, two Jewish Agency officials at a long, dark table were rubbing their hands to keep warm. They were conversing in Yiddish, estimating the time today's absorption job would take. Most of the expected immigrants were from Eastern Europe, and the officials had been chosen to receive them for their knowledge of Yiddish.

The gangplank was lowered and the immigrants started filing down and into the passenger hall. The routine process went speedily. Tiberias, Kiryat Gat, Beisan, Beersheba, sign here for your apartment, and the immigrants were off to their new homes in their new home country.

As the queue advanced, a tall, grey-haired man in a brown camel hair coat and a pork pie hat approached the table. He gave his name as Graves. *"Wie shreibt men dus Moishe?"* the official enquired of his colleague. "With two yuds I think." "Your age?" "Sixty-three," said the tall man in a mixture of English and German that the official tolerantly accepted as Yiddish.

The official rubbed his chin and scratched his forehead. Sixty-three is quite an age for a new immigrant, makes absorption difficult. "Any family?" Wife and young son." "Aha," said the official very doubtfully. "Where are you from?" "England." *"A goldene medine,"* the official smiled for the first time. "Profession?" "Author."

The official sha'ed again. The problem was growing over his head. He consulted his colleague quickly. What could they do with this man, over 60, a family to support and no useful profession except that he can write — in English of all languages. Well, they agreed they could certainly give him a two-room house in a development area, he was entitled to that. But how was he going to pay the instalments? The Labour Exchange wouldn't even register him, although he looked fit enough. What about a *ma'bara*? Against official policy but if they could put him somewhere near a town, he might be able to find some clerical work. Maybe write letters in English for people who wanted to correspond with their relatives in the States. That was it, of course.

"Do you know Hebrew?" The tall man shook his head good-naturedly. He appeared somewhat surprised by the cross-examination, especially as the official didn't look to him like a newspaper reporter. "Want to learn, at an ulpan, either all day, or learn four hours and work four hours?" The tall man sadly shook his head. "After sixty, it's too late to learn a new language," he regretted. "It's also a little late for coming here," the official thought, keeping the thought carefully to himself. "Can you do anything else but write books?" "Yes, I can write poems, I can also translate," the tall man said rather proudly.

Here was a hint of a solution. What about a kibbutz, as in the case of a Hungarian writer a couple of months ago? He had been too old to work too, according to Labour Exchange regulations. At the kibbutz he could do light jobs, enough to earn his keep. And the man was happy, doing something useful, living in a new kind of place with enough time left to write. The officials sighed with relief. Where there is a will, there's a way. But as they turned round to inform the tall immigrant of his good fortune, he had gone.

The tall man had realised that he was in the wrong queue. He had just been recognised by the man from the Foreign Ministry who had come to welcome a guest of the Government, Robert Ranke Graves.

# *KEEPING POSTED*

JUST lately we have met up with two elegant and graceful gentlemen in Israel, so uncommon a feature in our landscape that they could not fail to make an impression. The first one we met by chance in a hotel lobby while he was talking to a friend of ours. We noticed a tall, slender figure, with a trim greyish moustache and

a longish face; smart but slightly out of focus, rather like a sketch of a British colonel in a whiskey advertisement (an expensive whiskey) but less stocky. The elongated colonel also spoke with a trace of a French accent. The expressive movements of his hands were entirely in the Jewish tradition, of a man in an alien world, trying to make himself understood. His clothes were perfect, but noticeable. A misty blue, with the faintest suggestion of a dark red glow in the cloth, that turned out on close inspection to be the faintest of checks. Something that can only be described as box-pleats in the coat, an endearing cut to the lapels; slit sleeves, with a little oblique cuff—nothing effeminate, you understand, just enough to give a dégagé look to a flick of the wrist; buttons nestling coolly in pairs on the waistcoat, and trousers that tapered faintly. A beautiful shirt, and a tie that missed being the Eton Old Boys' tie only by a discreet difference in the width of the stripe. But a perfect fit. He was here on a visit and he was telling us of the difficulties of getting anything done in Israel. "You go to the Post Office. The queues! The queues! Everybody has a hundred relatives and writes a hundred fat letters to them that all have to be weighed separately. Besides, they must tell each other their life stories, and then the other one must tell his life story in turn. Or at least explain — this one is going to my mother-in-law's second cousin, the one in Australia. I do not understand Hebrew and I have not yet discovered whether the story is approaching its end when the thumb goes up, like this or when the hands go down, and when it is worth waiting for it to end. Or in that cafe in Tel Aviv, where there is no room and one cannot get served. If I were the Chief of Police I would go there and give them all six months without a trial. They are all passing little bits of paper to each other under the table, selling dollars they never earned, with long explanations." He flicked a speck of dust from the impeccable lapels. "Perhaps they recognised me as a tourist. I won't sell these sharks my foreign currency, it goes to the Bank. Why should I run myself off my feet in London trying to get people to pay £1 subscriptions to this and that in Israel, and then buy Israel money cut-rate." He explained he was a tailor, partner in an old establishment that welcomed the French flair he had acquired during his boyhood in France. The old titled customers, and their sons, come up from the country once a fortnight, he says, and still make the tailor the excuse. But they can't really afford to buy these clothes any longer. (The one I have on? Of course they make a special effort for us. Nice piece of cloth, isn't it? If we were willing to give it to a customer it would be about 90 guineas. Might make you a suit for sixty, though). His speciality is such people as the Maharajah of Kapurthala, who unfortunately died last year. On one occasion he paid a bill of £2,750 in one go, and he never let bills mount up for very long. Another time he ordered 16 suits at once, and three opera cloaks — he had just discovered cloaks— one black with white, one white with black, and the third with a nice salmon lining. He would always order anything that was guaranteed new, though he didn't really wear it. Conservative in a way—always a white Rolls Royce for the theatre."

"Well," said Mr. S., "and then there are our Jewish customers. Don't always know how to wear their clothes and the ones with money are terribly conservative, want to look like old fogeys. But at least when I go to see that Baby Home in Jerusalem, I see all their names up on the wall as donors." What about clothes here? Mr. S. smiled. "Not worn much, are they? Not what you would call *clothes!*"

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*THE other elegant gentleman stopped us on the road to Tel Aviv, in the middle of an expert conversation on traffic offences and the kind of fines now being*

*imposed. He wore the uniform of the traffic police and tripped lightly across the road to us. The driver said "Shalom" and tried to look as though he had a clear conscience. The policeman returned the "Shalom" and with an extravagant gesture handed in a little slip of paper that just said "Drive carefully on a wet road!" adding the good wishes of the Traffic Department. If we have no clothes, at least the manner is there.*

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